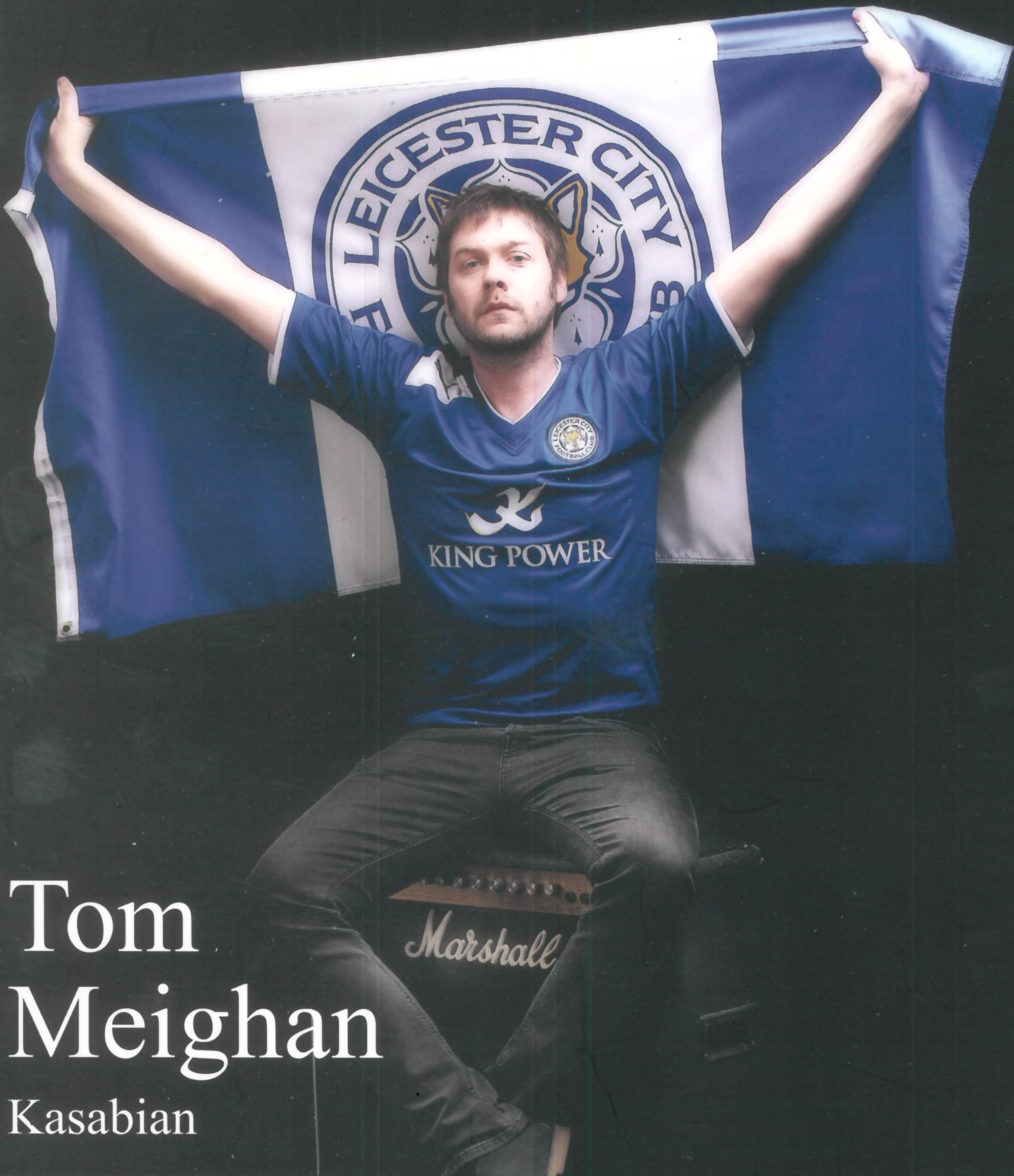


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Good evening everyone and welcome to Dougie Freedman and his staff from Bolton Wanderers, who come into tonight's game in a strong run of form that has pushed them right into the Play-Off picture.

In our last two games, we have rediscovered some of the qualities that served us so well earlier in the season, but, having got ourselves into winning positions, have been unable to close either of the victories out. It has been very frustrating for everyone, particularly given the chances we created on Friday night, but there is no time for anyone to feel sorry for themselves. Mistakes and bad luck happen in football. The only way to put things right is to continue to work hard, stick together and collectively show how much we want it.

I would like to draw all of our supporters' attention to the 'Know The Score' Bowel Cancer Campaign, which will be taking place between 13-20 April 2013. The campaign is being promoted by the Bobby Moore Fund, the Adam Stansfield Foundation, Beating Bowel Cancer, Bowel Cancer UK, the Men's Health Forum and founding charity of 'Know The Score', The Mr Brightside Project, who have come together to promote awareness of the key symptoms of bowel cancer.

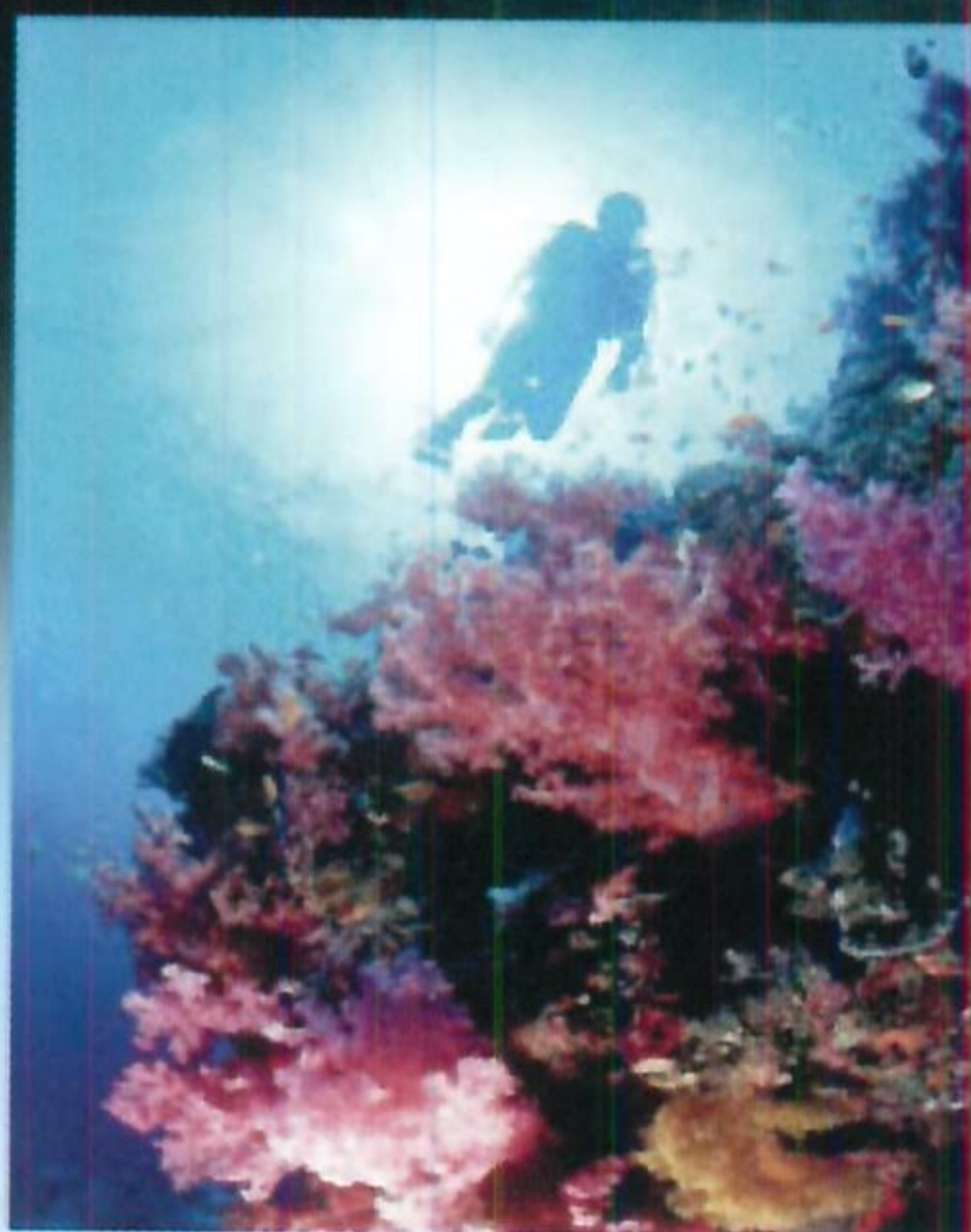
Today, I am pleased to wear the 'Bowel Cancer Star of Hope' badge and support their awareness campaign alongside the League Managers Association.

With four games to go, though the room for error has become increasingly tight, having to play four teams involved in the promotion race means we still have the opportunity to achieve our goals this season. We have aimed to win every game we have gone into, so our mindset doesn't change. We must continue to be positive, play on the front foot and find a way to win.

Please get behind the players and enjoy the game.

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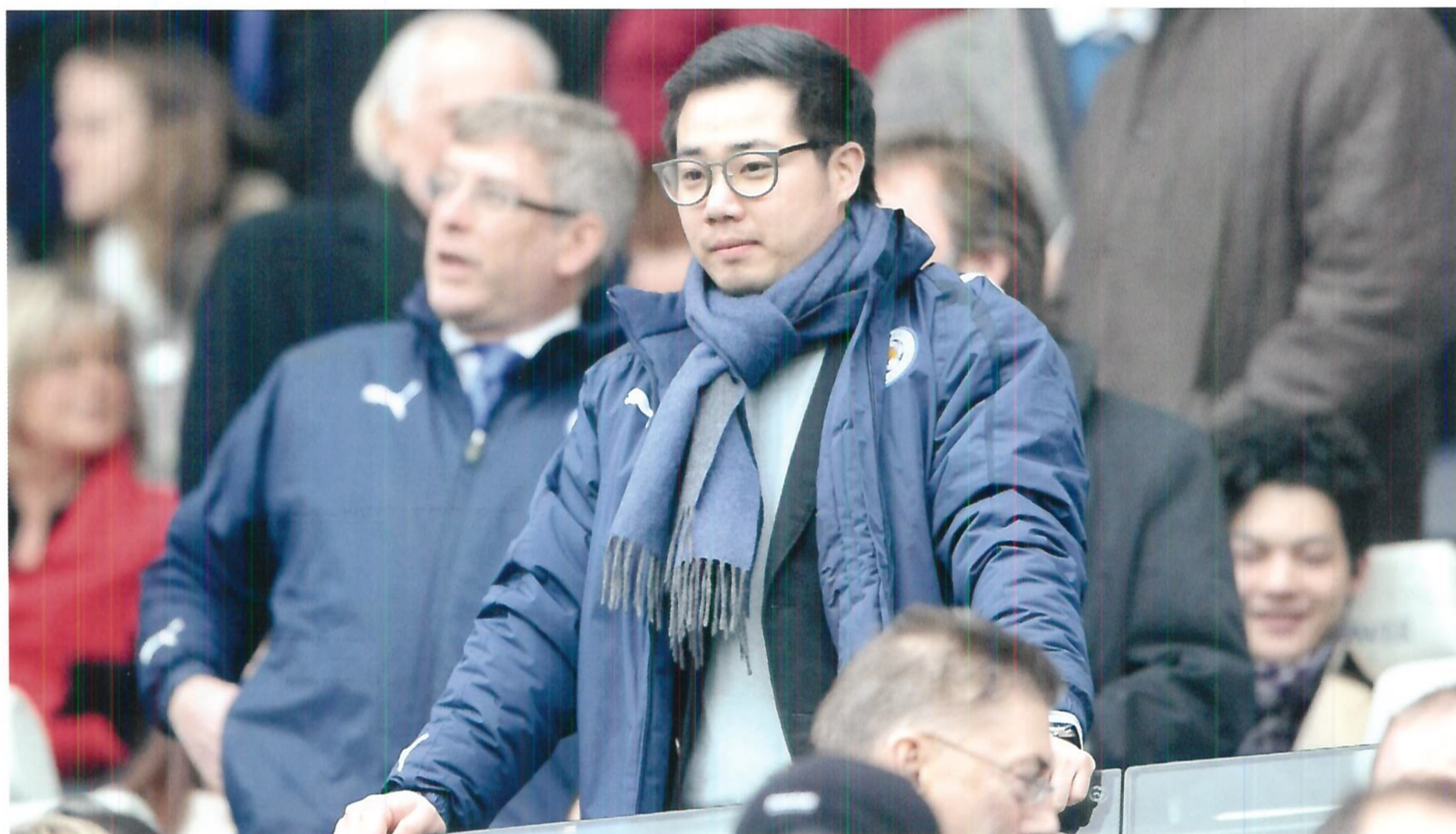
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Good evening everyone and welcome back to King Power Stadium.

Despite the unfortunate nature of Friday night's result against Birmingham City, a game in which the players fought very hard to earn a victory, other results over the weekend ensured our position remained relatively unchanged. With four games to play, we still have an opportunity to achieve our goals, particularly when you consider that the games we have remaining are all against teams directly above us in the league table. It promises to be an exciting climax to the season and it is our aim to be part of it.

The support from the crowd on Friday night was outstanding and certainly contributed to the performance on the pitch. If we are able to replicate such an atmosphere in our remaining two home games, tonight against Bolton Wanderers and next Friday against Watford, we'll give the players a great chance

of making them count.

On Friday, we were delighted to welcome our triumphant Under-15 squad as Boardroom guests for the evening, to mark their victory in the National Premier League Academy Final last week. It was a pleasure to meet them all and to congratulate them in person on an outstanding achievement, of which everyone at our Football Club should be very proud.

On a night where I was also pleased to present our incoming 2013/14 scholars with their scholars' caps, a long-standing Leicester City tradition, it was a brief glimpse into the bright future we are building through the excellent work of our Academy. The feeling was only made stronger when a recent Academy graduate, Jeff Schlupp, headed a fantastic second goal on the night that deserved to be a winner. On Sunday, we hosted a special open

training session at King Power Stadium, exclusively for our Season Ticket Holders and Members, as a 'thank you' for their loyalty and support throughout the season. Football clubs rely on the passion of their most committed followers to move forward and, at Leicester City, we will always aim to show our appreciation for it, so I hope those in attendance enjoyed the day.

In his own indomitable way, 'the Birch' made a very good point before the game on Friday night, when he said that you, the fans, can, and do, make a difference. Let's try to make the difference again tonight in the first of four massive games for the team.

Thank you for reading and for your support.

Aiyawatt Srivaddhanaprabha

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Leicester City winger, Anthony Knockaert, takes time out from a recent LCFC in the Community coaching course, to speak to BBC Late Kick Off's Natalie Jackson.







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END OF SEASON DINNER

Players, management, staff and supporters will come together to celebrate the season's highlights on Monday 29 April at Leicester City's 2013 End of Season Awards Dinner.

Just days before the climax to the 2012/13 npower Championship season, the Foxes faithful have the chance to join manager Nigel Pearson, the players, the Club's owners, directors and staff for our annual black tie event, where the

campaign's top performers and most memorable moments will be recognised.

Hosted in the Walkers Hall at King Power Stadium and presented by City legend Alan 'the Birch' Birchenall, one of the showpiece events in the Leicester City calendar includes a three-course meal, awards presentations, evening entertainment and a special auction, all profits from which will be donated to the LCFC Foxes Foundation's 2012/13

fundraising campaign.

Tickets for the event are priced from **£99 per-person** (inc VAT), including a Bucks Fizz reception and live post-awards entertainment. Premium packages, which include an LCFC legend table host, complimentary drinks and prime-positioned tables, are also available, priced **£125 per-person** (plus VAT).

For further information, contact the Leicester City Sales Centre on **0844 815 5000** or email sales@lcfc.co.uk.

FOOTBALL FREESTYLER WOWS CROWD

Half-time at Friday night's npower Championship clash with Birmingham City was lit up, when 'Football Freestyler', Chris Draper, took to the King Power Stadium turf to show off his skills.

The 20-year-old University of Central Lancashire student has been

performing and teaching freestyle football skills for over a year. As well as working with the likes of World Champion, John Farnworth, Chris' talents have seen him entertain crowds in the USA.

To see more of Chris, or to learn more about Freestyling, visit www.cdraper92.moonfruit.com.





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KREFELD LINK CELEBRATED

Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service are celebrating 40 years of the Leicester City European Twinning Association, with the presentation to their German counterparts of Leicester City shirts, printed with the number 40.

Today sees a Challenge Match take place to mark the 40th anniversary celebration of the partnership between the Krefeld and Leicestershire Fire Services, and hopefully by the time you are reading this, Leicester will have won this year's tie, in the game played today at Hinckley United Football Club.

During tonight's half time, interval. Please show your support for both Leicestershire and Krefeld firefighters whilst they battle it out in a penalty

shoot-out.

Back in 1973, the City Council approached Leicester City Fire Service to take part in a cultural exchange with Leicester's German twin town of Krefeld, and a team of brave pioneers were duly chosen as part of an exchange.

The first game took place between the sides at the local British army base on the Rhine, Bradbury Barracks. They lost on the day, but the result hardly seemed to matter, as the game was played in such a great spirit.

During the four decades of the Twinning Association, strong friendships have been formed alongside the many trips back and forth. On one occasion, the English Firefighters

decided, rather than just take a bus and ferry to Germany, they would instead run down to Dover, swim the channel and then cycle through France, Belgium and Holland into Germany. Even though this was done in relays, it was a very tough challenge and hundreds of pounds were raised for charity. Their Krefeld colleagues decided they were crazy and have yet to repeat the challenge in the opposite direction!

Visits continue to take place in both directions and there is an established football trophy that is competed for each year. This has been named the Jerry Askham and Ulf Tabbert Twinning Trophy, to mark their commitment to the twinning.

PREMIER SOCK TAPE



With the season now in its final stages, Leicester City would like to thank Premier Sock Tape, the world's number one sock tape, for providing the first-team squad with fantastic support throughout the campaign.

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CITY FAN DONATES HAND-PAINTED SUBBUTEO SET

Leicester City supporter, Calum Westwood, presented the Club with a limited edition hand-painted Subbuteo set, at the recent home clash with Sheffield Wednesday, which marked his 24th birthday.

Calum, a City fan since the 1994 Play-Off Final, has been producing painted-to-order sets of the famous game through his website www.westwoodtablesoccer.co.uk, with the pièce de résistance so far being a special 'Leicester City Legends' team, including the likes of Steve Walsh and Gary Lineker.

On his labour of love, Calum told City's Matchday Magazine: "On the day the new kit was launched this season, I put some pictures on Twitter of a fully painted set in the new shirt, which after the Club got in touch, I put the King Power logo on, and will

be donating it to City.

"It took about four hours of solid painting time to get it done, but I've had some great feedback, and I think the Club Historian John Hutchinson even wants a Legend Team of his own!

"The game itself is Subbuteo; it has been about since the Second World War and stuck around since then. There are still a lot of people that play it and there are loads of different types.

"My dad, who is a massive Leicester fan, got me into it, so I've grown up around it, and since I've started the website, people mainly order very specific things or teams from me.

"The legends idea is really popular and that was my own idea that came from trying to get all my favourite Leicester players into one team."

WIMBLEDON & GATSBY CLUB HOSPITALITY - FREE

Place a brand-new enquiry **OR** confirm an existing enquiry with LCFC Events before June 7, quoting CHAMP, and you will be entered into a free prize draw to win two hospitality packages at the Gatsby Club on the first day of the Championships at Wimbledon.

Enjoy a three-course sumptuous lunch, designed by Albert Roux OBE, and enjoy fantastic tennis on the opening day of this year's Championship at SW19. The draw is to be made on June 10.

FOXES RECEIVE COMMUNITY SHIELD CHEQUE FROM FA

LCFC Foxes Foundation are delighted to have been presented with a cheque for £2,000 from the Football Association, for Leicester City's share of the 2012 Community Shield Fund, which every year gives a welcome boost to community-based initiatives.

As part of the fund distribution, every competing club is allocated an equal section of the fund to donate to a community initiative of its choice – with the LCFC Foxes Foundation benefiting from the fantastic amount of money raised.

The cash comes mainly from general admission ticket income and sales of matchday programmes, with the remaining funds donated to this year's FA Charity Partner, the Teenage Cancer Trust, as well as £25,000 being donated each to the Sir Bobby Robson Foundation and the Bobby Moore Fund.



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BACK THE BIRCH PRIOR TO WATFORD CLASH

There are now only a couple of weeks of training left for 'the Birch', before he dusts down his running shoes for his 33rd Annual End of Season Run ahead of City's encounter with Watford (Friday 26 April, 7:45pm).

The gruelling 90 minute run, taking place prior to kick-off before the Foxes final home league fixture, will be helping to raise funds for the great charities supported by

this year's LCFC Foxes Foundation campaign.

'The Birch' will once again be joined by an array of well-known local names and, of course, the City squad as they prepare to give the home campaign the perfect send-off against Gianfranco Zola's high-flying Hornets.

You can do your bit to help 'the Birch' to a healthy fundraising total, by making a donation at his

dedicated JustGiving page - www.justgiving.com/Birchs33rd - or by making a contribution to one of the many collectors situated around King Power Stadium on the day.

You can also stay up-to-date with Birchy's exploits ahead of the run by searching the hashtag #BirchRun2013 or by following '@officialFOXES' on Twitter.

BIRCH RUN 2013 COLLECTORS WANTED!

Do you want to lend a little extra support to Birch Run 2013? We are on the look-out for collectors to assist with the fundraising effort. If you would like to get involved, email lcfcfoxesfoundation@lcfc.co.uk

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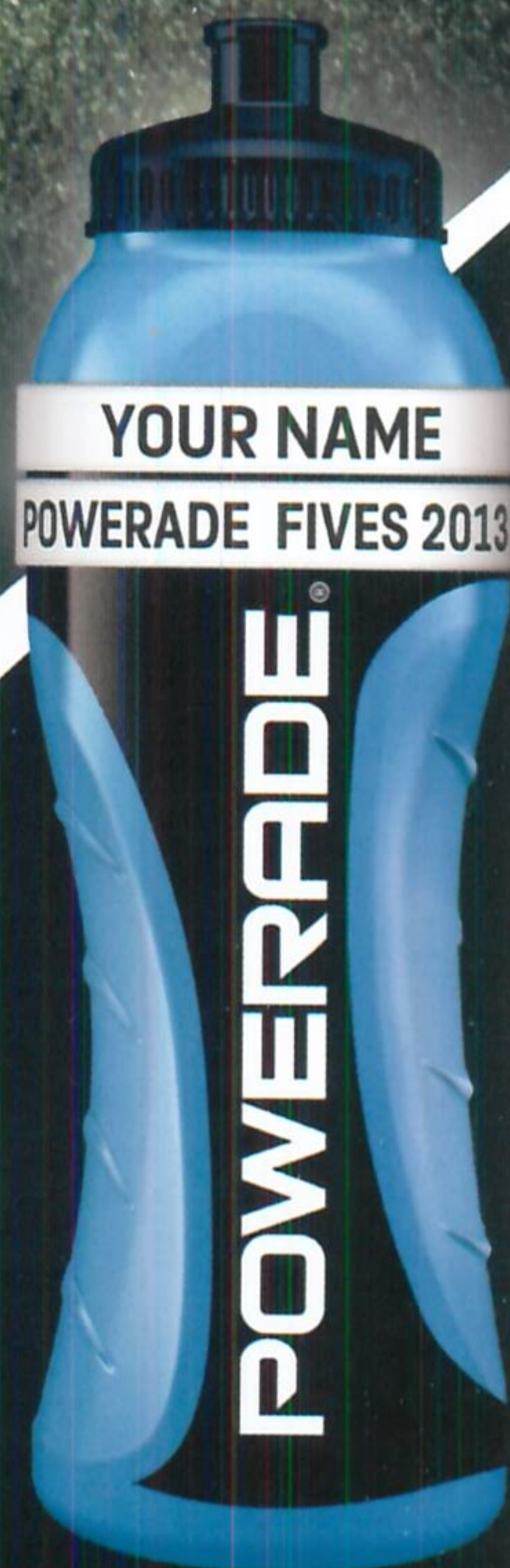
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BEAGLEHOLE REVIEWS SUCCESSFUL SEASON

After successfully clinching top spot in the Professional Development League 2 North, with a convincing win over Birmingham City last week and a game to spare, Steve Beaglehole's Under-21's next challenge now looks set to be a play-off game against either Cardiff City or Charlton Athletic.

Before that, a fantastic league season for Leicester City's Development Squad will conclude with a Belvoir Drive clash against Nottingham Forest on April 22 at 2:00pm, after which they will embark upon the play-offs in a bid to round off the year in style.

It has undoubtedly been a wonderful first campaign for Leicester City in the inaugural year of the Under-21 games programme, with a mixture of senior players, members of the Development group and Academy scholars all [benefitting from taking part](#).

And for manager Beaglehole, he couldn't be happier with how his side have applied themselves and developed this season.

"I'm very proud of them," said Beaglehole after the comprehensive 3-0

win over Birmingham City.

"We set off at the start of the season with a poor pre-season result against Loughborough Dynamo, and I, amongst other members of staff, were very critical of them.

"Then we had a first game against an experienced Wigan on the opening day where we clawed a 2-2 draw, showed a winning mentality and we've maintained that. I was very proud when we won the Under-18 league and this is up there with it.

"People say this is a Development League and it's not about results and winning doesn't matter. Well, you'll probably find that people that say that are the ones that haven't won the league.

"We think that winning is a big part of development, that's what we've instilled in them and they've gone and

done it.

"I think the Under-21s league has been fantastic. In the last 10 years, it has sometimes been difficult, for the group that leaves the youth team, to make that step into first-team football.

"Hopefully now, with this, that won't be the case. If there are players that we think have a genuine chance of being in the first team, which there is, then their progression will be helped greatly by the Under-21s league.

"For this group now, it's more about how they develop as individuals. For example, the likes of Tom Hopper, who has had League 1 experience at Bury; can he step into the first team next year? If not, can he play in the Championship with a loan team? The path is set for them and we look forward to seeing how they respond to the challenge."

Academy Director **Jon Rudkin** extends his congratulations to all involved with City's Under-15 side, talks about the intake of new scholars for next season and reflects on a 1-1 draw for the Under-18s against Barnsley



UNDER-15s ACHIEVE SUCCESS AT St GEORGE'S PARK

This week I am delighted to be able to offer our congratulations to the Under-15s group, who emerged as winners of the recent Premier League National Tournament, with the finals hosted at St George's Park.

It was an excellent opportunity for them to stay over at the national centre over a two-day period and participate with six other finalists for the trophy, in what has been a very good addition to the Academy games programme - where players can experience tournament football, based over a couple of days, in an outstanding environment.

All the players did exceptionally well, and throughout the entire competition which commenced back in October, and have conceded only one goal throughout. As we've said before, while it's not about us winning trophies and leagues at this stage, this is a good element to their development programme, to prepare and learn about how to win and game management.

We beat Crewe in the final, and it was a tightly fought game on a pitch which is utilised by the England national team during their preparations. The whole experience

and to be involved with the national centre was a brilliant occasion.

I'd like to offer my congratulations to the staff involved, in particular Chris Tucker, Kevin Fogg, Matt Elliott, Muzzy Izzett and Steve Anastasi, who are coaches that have been working with the players throughout the season, along with Justin Bowley, the goalkeeping coach, so congratulations to all but more importantly; what a great experience it was for our boys to win such an award.



SUCCESSFUL SCHOLARS

In the previous fixture here at King Power Stadium there was an extremely proud moment for all those connected to our Under-16 players whereby the Club's Vice-Chairman, Aiyawatt Srivaddhanaprabha was able to present caps to our incoming scholars for the season 2013/14, on what was a special evening for the players and their families.

It is a good opportunity for us to celebrate the work that our recruitment department has done in identifying these players, which is led by Bill Wall, but also the staff that have worked with all these players, such as our part-time coaching staff, over the seasons. The number of scholars that the Club have taken on this season really shows the positive

work that is going on throughout the coaching age groups and the opportunities available for players that work hard both on and off the pitch.

We'd also like to express our congratulations to both Gareth Jennings and Dale Bradshaw for their work off the pitch. Our boys once again are on course to attain a 100% pass rate in their education. Gareth, who is Head of Education, joined us this season and has worked closely with Loughborough College in ensuring our players are given the best education and that's what has been seen again, in an outstanding track record of qualifications attained by our players.

TYKES LEVEL LATE ON

In our final away fixture of the season, the Under-18s side performed very well in a 1-1 draw away to Barnsley.

Overall, it was a reasonably good end-of-season game. We deservedly went 1-0 up through a very well taken goal from Jak McCourt after he intercepted a ball and managed to finish.

We then created enough chances to put ourselves further ahead in the game but unfortunately we rued those missed opportunities in the closing minutes of the second half, when after several blocks and thinking that we'd dealt with the danger, we were punished from a deep cross at the back post.

I certainly want to congratulate the boys on the way they've set out the season as they've been working extremely hard in terms of technically ability and in-game awareness.

I'd also like to acknowledge the work carried out by Trevor Peake, Matt Goodwin, Chris Tucker, Keith Burland, Gary Capes, Kevin Paxton and Ollie Waldron, who have worked very closely with all the players to prepare them well; to a point where they've been utilised by the Under-18s and Under-21s with Steve Beaglehole and Nicky Eaden throughout the season.

UNDER 18s

DATE	OPPONENT	RES
AUGUST		
Sat 18	Wigan Athletic	4-1
Sat 25	Derby County	3-3
SEPTEMBER		
Sat 1	Crewe Alexandra	2-1
Sat 15	Leeds United	0-1
Sat 22	Barnsley	5-6
Sat 29	Sheffield Wednesday	2-5
OCTOBER		
Sat 6	Nottingham Forest	1-3
Sat 20	Coventry City	2-2
Sat 27	Huddersfield Town	1-4
NOVEMBER		
Sat 3	Wigan Athletic	1-2
Sat 17	Sheffield United	4-1
DECEMBER		
Sat 1	Crewe Alexandra	5-3
JANUARY		
Sat 12	Birmingham City	P-P
Sat 26	Leeds United	0-1
FEBRUARY		
Sat 9	Sheffield Wednesday	1-3
Sat 23	Nottingham Forest	3-3
MARCH		
Sat 2	Coventry City	2-1
Sat 9	Huddersfield Town	2-1
Sat 16	Sheffield United	P-P
Sat 30	Derby County	0-1
APRIL		
Sat 6	Birmingham City	2-2
Thu 11	Barnsley	1-1

UNDER 21s

AUGUST		
Mon 20	Wigan Athletic	2-2
Mon 27	Derby County	2-3
SEPTEMBER		
Mon 3	Crewe Alexandra	4-0
Fri 14	Leeds United	3-0
Mon 24	Barnsley	5-2
Sat 29	Sheffield Wednesday	2-1
OCTOBER		
Tue 9	Nottingham Forest	2-0
Fri 19	Coventry City	2-3
Mon 29	Huddersfield Town	2-1
NOVEMBER		
Sat 3	Wigan Athletic	2-1
Fri 16	Sheffield United	2-1
DECEMBER		
Mon 3	Crewe Alexandra	4-2
JANUARY		
Sat 19	Barnsley	P-P
Mon 28	Leeds United	1-1
FEBRUARY		
Sat 9	Sheffield Wednesday	3-1
Mon 18	Birmingham City	2-1
MARCH		
Mon 4	Coventry City	3-1
Sat 9	Huddersfield Town	0-3
Mon 18	Sheffield United	1-1
Sat 30	Derby County	3-0
APRIL		
Mon 8	Birmingham City	3-0
Mon 22	Nottingham Forest	-

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OFFICIAL CREDIT CARD OF THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE





Is the fact that our warm summer months without football will be shorter this season a good thing?

With the Play-Off Final (ever the optimist) scheduled for May 27 and the first fixture of the 2013/14 season confirmed as being the 3 August, it means the break for the 'close season' could be as short as a month, given that the players will need to be back for their least-favourite part of the year - the dreaded pre-season fitness work - earlier than normal.

The Foxes will have played 51 games this season, potentially 54 if they make it all the way to Wembley, which must have taken its toll, given the late start owing to the London Olympics last summer.

The transfer talk will start a few weeks earlier, with the rumour mill keeping us all a little busier, with any

pre-season tour providing some insight into some of the new faces, before what I'm sure will be an exciting season once again. However, I'm not sure whether having our thirst quenched so soon is a positive thing.

The players, management and staff need time to recover physically, as well as emotionally. I can't begin to imagine the strain it puts on the mental state, with that amount of pressure to deliver. You can't blame the league for making the schedules so tight I guess, but it does seem particularly tight this summer. Stay off the burgers lads and enjoy the sun whilst you get it!

What a great ending there looks to be this season for both of tonight's teams. Bolton Wanderers are within touching distance of one of those Play-

Off places and City, of course, look to be taking it right to the wire.

I wish Matt Mills all the best for his coming seasons as he faces his former side tonight. Matt's time here at King Power Stadium didn't work out for one reason or another, although he's a player I always got on very well with and he seemed a down to earth individual.

Clearly most will hope he leaves the ground disappointed with the result tonight.

Enjoy the game,

Ian



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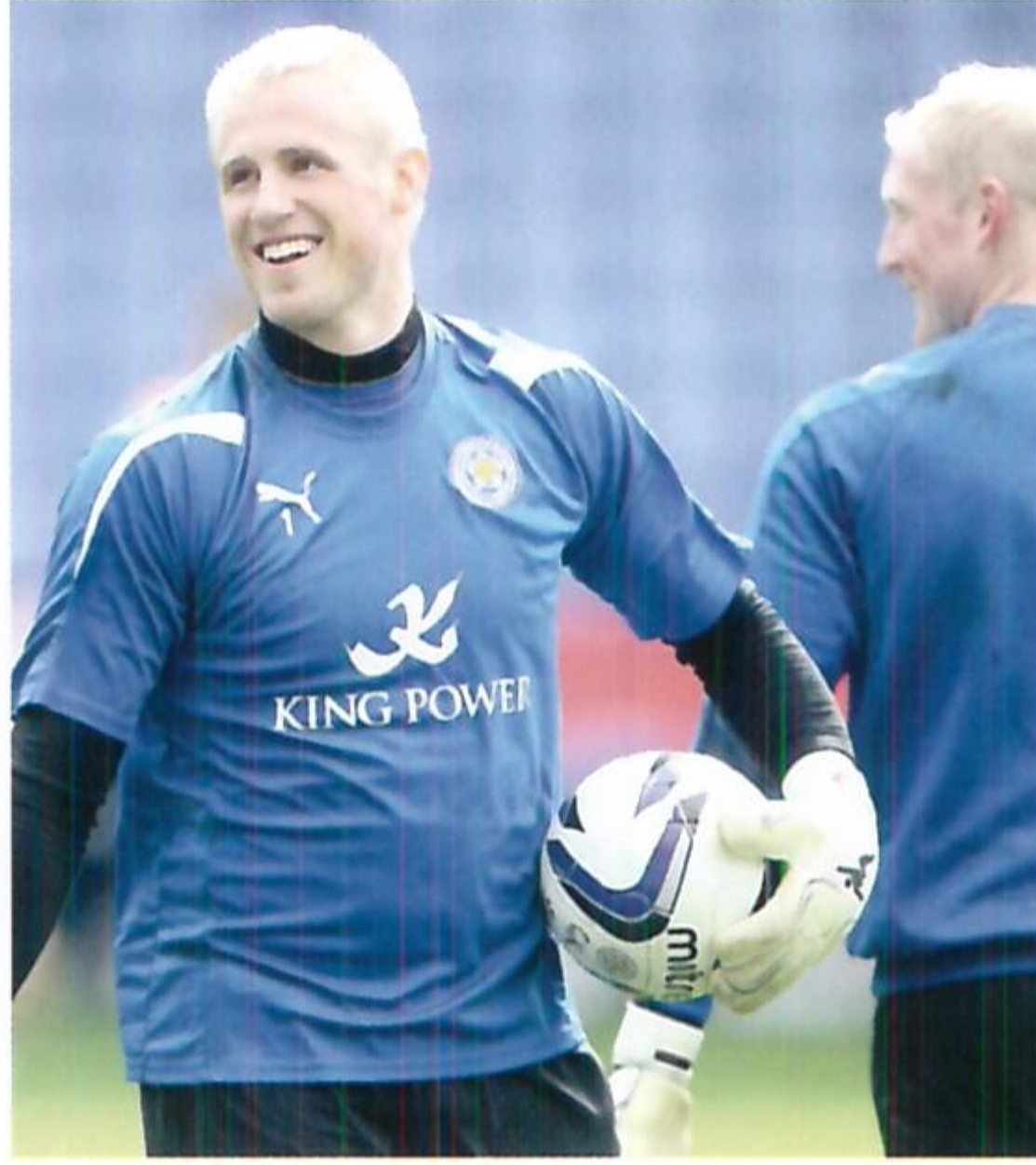




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When you've spent the last decade touring the globe as the front-man of one of the UK's biggest, most relevant rock bands, it should take something special to get you out of your seat.

But mention Leicester City and Tom Meighan is suddenly perched on the edge of his; barely able to contain his enthusiasm for what is, along with music and his family, one of the loves of his life. His passion for the Foxes fills the room. Light the blue touch paper, stand back and watch memories of a childhood spent on the Filbert Street terraces sparkle into life.

Still a Season Ticket Holder (in the West Stand, these days), the Kasabian star has shared moments with the Blue Army that will stay with him for the rest of his life. It's what being part of the Foxes faithful is all about.

But rarely has he seen a brand of football akin to that played this season by Nigel Pearson's current squad – an assembly of young players with the talent to entertain and the burning hunger to succeed.

As a teenage co-founder of a Brit Award-winning, multi-platinum selling act, those are qualities Tom should know a thing or two about. He cannot wait to see where they take his beloved team...





Tom, you've had a bit of down time recently, has that helped you get to King Power Stadium a bit more this season?

I've been to about five or six games this season. When I'm on tour with the band, it's rare that I get to see them, but now I've got a baby (Mimi Malone, born last year) and I'm at home with the family, I try to get there as often as I can.

Has going to the game changed for you these days? Talk us through your matchday.

Not really, I still like the whole thing to be an experience, that's all part of it for me. I meet my dad (Tom Sr.), Oscar, Rod the Mod, Moz, my brother John James – there's a group of us and it's a thing we do together. It's lovely. It's more than just going to a game and going home, it's an event. It's part of life. It's like a religion. From me leaving my house at 12.30pm, meeting my dad, driving to the ground, saying hello to everyone, meeting the lads, going for a drink, watching the game together – it's all part of an experience and I love it.

How about when you're away? Do you miss it?

I do. When we played Chelsea in the FA Cup last season, me and Serge (band-mate Serge Pizzorno) were in Florida and we had to get up at eight in the

morning to watch the game. We were both on the tour bus praying that the channel in America would be showing the game, then we saw Leicester walking out of the tunnel alongside Chelsea at Stamford Bridge and we were screaming! We were having our cereal at half past eight in the morning, shouting at the television and watching the match. It was wonderful. Wherever we are in the world, we always try to watch the games when we can, but there's nothing like being there.

You've seen plenty of City teams in your life. What do you make of the current squad?

I can't knock it; we've been fantastic at times this season. I think, on our day, we are the best footballing side in the league, without a doubt. Some of the football we've played has been exquisite, wonderful to watch. It's the kind of football I've not seen Leicester City play in years.

We've seen different styles under different managers down the years, but watching us this season has been wonderful at times. Nigel Pearson's done a fantastic job. Anthony Knockaert's got a fantastic future. He's only a kid at the minute, but he'll go on and become a full international for France, I'm sure. Kasper Schmeichel's a wonderful keeper. Wes Morgan has come in and done a great job. We've

built a system that works, we're moving forward, we're quicker and fresher than we have been in the past. We've got players like Lloyd Dyer putting pace into the team, David Nugent has scored some great goals; everyone has played their part.

How do they compare to your all-time favourites?

I've always loved Steve Walsh. I admired his character and how he came back from injury and put his body on the line for the Club. He's a symbol of Leicester City, the kind of player I grew up with. That was my era, under Brian Little. Players like Lee Philpott, Ian Ormondroyd, Bobby Davison, Simon Grayson, Steve Walsh, Gary Mills and Julian Joachim. I was only 11 or 12 years old, but those players will stay with me forever. The players come and go, but the memories of what they do stay with you forever.

How does it make you feel when you hear 'Fire' being played after City score a goal at home?

I normally start singing along! It's an amazing feeling. We went through a stage of playing 'Chelsea Dagger' (by the Fratellis) after we scored, which didn't seem right to me. Chelsea have always been such a big rival to Leicester! It's nice that the Club do that, we're really proud of it.

"Everyone
wants to see
us playing the
Manchester
Uniteds and
Arsenals every
week. It's where
Leicester City
belong."



When you were a kid on the terraces at Filbert Street, could you ever have imagined that you would become such an ambassador for Leicester City?

'Ambassador' is a big word to use. Alan Birchenall is an 'ambassador'...

...But you're one of our most recognisable supporters, playing concerts in front of millions around the world, often wearing a Leicester City shirt!

I have, but I love them. I love my family, I love my friends and Leicester is where we are from. 'Ambassador' is a good word, I'm proud of that. But people like Birch have done amazing

things for charity on the Club's behalf and I can't touch that. It's lovely for people to say it, but there are others more deserving of it than I am.

You've always loved representing the Club around the world. How proud does it make you when people recognise you as a City supporter?

It's wonderful. When we're travelling you meet so many people and football is something everyone talks about. People will say: 'Who's your club?' And some will say Manchester United, Manchester City, Arsenal or Chelsea. Telling them you're a Leicester City fan is a great thing to say. I love saying it.

What would it mean to the city of Leicester if the Club could win promotion to the Premier League?

Finding King Richard III was amazing for Leicester. What a double it would be if Leicester could get promoted as well! I think we deserve it because we're a well-supported club. We're a big club and there are teams in the Premier League that we are so much bigger than. It kills me to look at them. We

deserve to be there and if we get there we can have a good run. Everyone wants to see us playing the Manchester Uniteds and Arsenal every week. It's where Leicester City belong.

Your dad comes with you to King Power Stadium. Do you think you'll ever bring your daughter to a game?

[Laughs] She's a bit young at the moment, but I might try to convert her! Fatherhood is wonderful. It's tiring, but once they start communicating with you it's amazing. My missus is from Liverpool and her family bought Mimi a Liverpool kit, which was a bit naughty, I thought! That's my say! You never know, she might be a football fan.

What's on the horizon for Kasabian that Leicester City fans can look out for?

We've just done Comic Relief and a Teenage Cancer Trust gig that Noel Gallagher ran at the Royal Albert Hall, which is great for the kids. We've got a show in Austria and a few others in the summer to tick us over for a bit, and then we'll hopefully be recording a new record in the autumn.

How much of a break are you able to give yourself? Or are you constantly thinking about the next record?

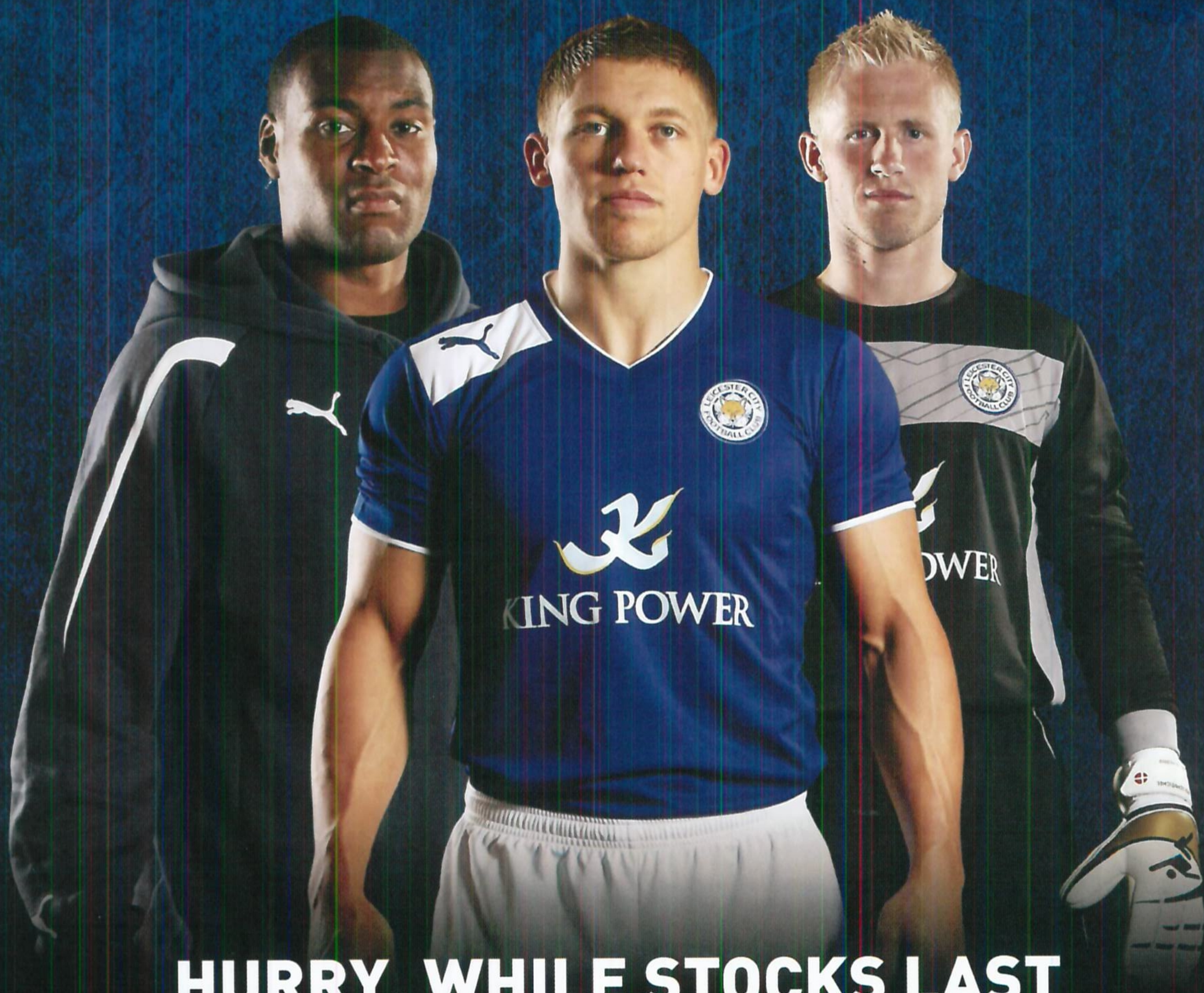
We finished touring in November last year and we've not played a gig since. I miss that and it is difficult to switch off when we're not touring. We probably don't take as much time out as we should, because you start thinking you need a break, then you can't wait to get back on the road! You start to get back to reality, but we're from another planet!

Whichever planet that is, you can be sure that Tom landed there wearing a City shirt, animatedly relaying to its inhabitants stories of the halcyon days of Walsh, Grayson and Joachim.

The current crop could well add their names to that list of cult heroes. And that would get every City fan out of their seats.



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De Vries scores the winning goal against Tottenham Hotspur

Leicester City striker, Mark De Vries, celebrates scoring Leicester City's third goal in the 3-2 victory over Spurs in the Third Round of the FA Cup in January 2006.

This completed a spirited fight-back, which saw the Foxes recover from being 2-0 down.

The game was played on a Sunday night in front of a live television audience.

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FROM GARDEN SHED TO KING POWER STADIUM

Part 52: 2003-2006 - The start of a steady decline

We continue our two-season series charting Leicester City's history based on the Club's carefully preserved and very extensive memorabilia, picture and archive collection. Much of this has been incorporated into the Club's Digital Archive which now contains well over 30,000 images.

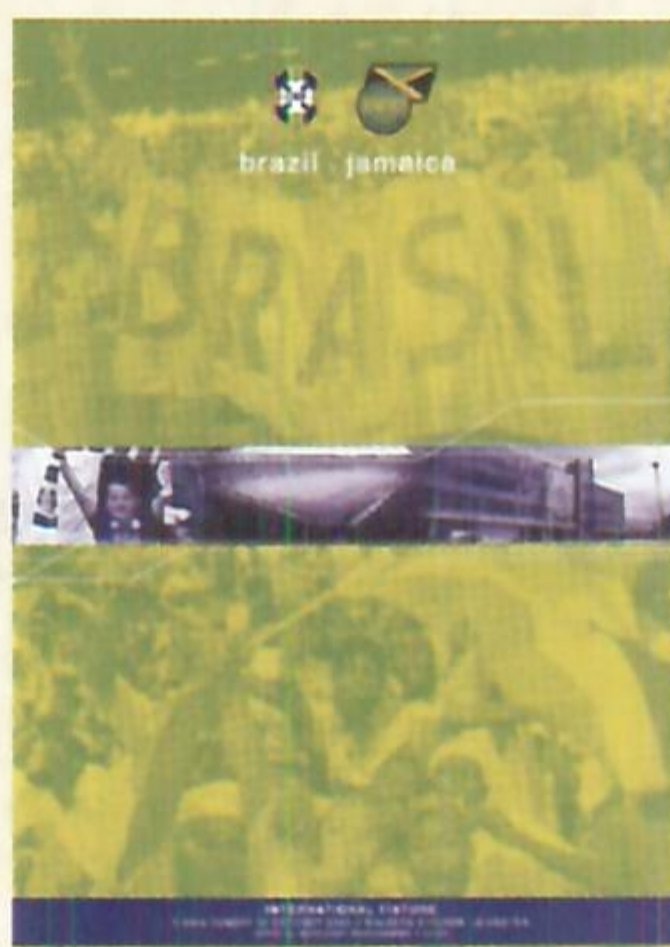
For this chapter we have also included material from **Dave Smith** and **David Smith** from DeMontfort University. If you have any family connections to Leicester City's history, or any memorabilia for the Club to borrow or to photograph, please contact john.hutchinson@lfc.co.uk.

AUG 2003



Micky Adams' strategy for Premier League survival following promotion, was to bring in experience. John Curtis, Ben Thatcher, Keith Gillespie, Riccardo Scimeca, Les Ferdinand (pictured), Lilian Nalis, Steve Howey and Craig Hignett all made their Foxes' debuts in August.

OCT 2003



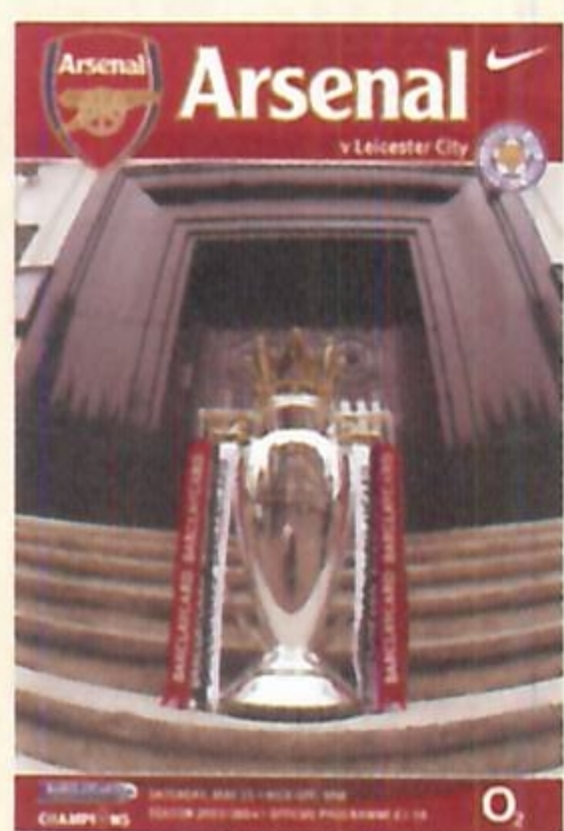
Leicester City's Frank Sinclair played his farewell international for Jamaica against Brazil in front of a near-capacity crowd, just short of 32,000, at the Walkers Stadium.

MAR 2004



Leicester City's fight against relegation was seriously knocked off course following a controversial training camp in La Manga.

MAY 2004



Defeat at Highbury against the unbeaten champions, Arsenal, was Leicester City's last game in the Premier League. They were relegated, along with Leeds United and Wolverhampton Wanderers. Home crowds for the season averaged nearly 31,000.

OCT 2004



After a disappointing start to the Championship season, Micky Adams resigned, to be replaced, on an interim basis, by Dave Bassett (helped by Howard Wilkinson), until the Hearts manager, Craig Levein (pictured), was appointed. Rob Kelly became Levein's assistant.

JAN 2005



In an otherwise disappointing season, in which Leicester finished 15th, the highlight was an FA Cup run which ended in a quarter-final defeat by Blackburn Rovers. This run is associated with this unusual so-called 'Fosse Gold' away kit.

APR 2005



In an attempt to alleviate financial pressures, a plan was agreed for Leicester Tigers to take joint ownership of the Walkers Stadium. The deal fell through, as the Football League and the RFU couldn't reach agreement about the primacy of fixtures.

JAN 2006



Despite a famous FA Cup victory over Tottenham Hotspur, Craig Levein, seen here saying goodbye to the players, was sacked and replaced by Rob Kelly. This followed a run of eight defeats and two draws, which put Leicester in 22nd place.

FEB 2006



Results improved to such an extent that Leicester finished 16th, safe with four games to spare. The highlight of this improved run was Joey Guðjónsson's goal from the halfway line against Peter Taylor's Hull City.



DIRECTORS' MINUTES BOOK:

The Fosse directors plan a Filbert Street upgrade

By 1907, after 13 years as a Football League club, Leicester Fosse's average home gates had risen to over 10,000. With promotion to the old First Division a real possibility, the directors started to plan upgrading Filbert Street.

12 June 1907

It was decided to invite (the world-famous football stadium architect) Mr Archibald Leitch to visit the ground with a view to suggesting improvements.

3 July 1907

Estimates are to be invited for:

Building an 8' high wall at the Filbert Street end of the ground, with four turnstiles (one for boys) and two 10' sliding exit doors.

Rebuilding and extending a portion of the Main Stand, to include two turnstiles and one for members tickets, together with one 10' sliding exit door.

A 9' high corrugated iron fence on Brazil Street, with galvanized nails and washers, two turnstiles and 10' sliding exit door.

Advertising boards are to be taken down on the Brazil Street side.

5 July 1907

It was resolved to advertise, in the Mercury, the offer of free tipping at the top end of the ground (to build up an earth bank) and to employ a navvy.

A thank-you letter will be sent to Mr Leitch of Glasgow for his kind attention.

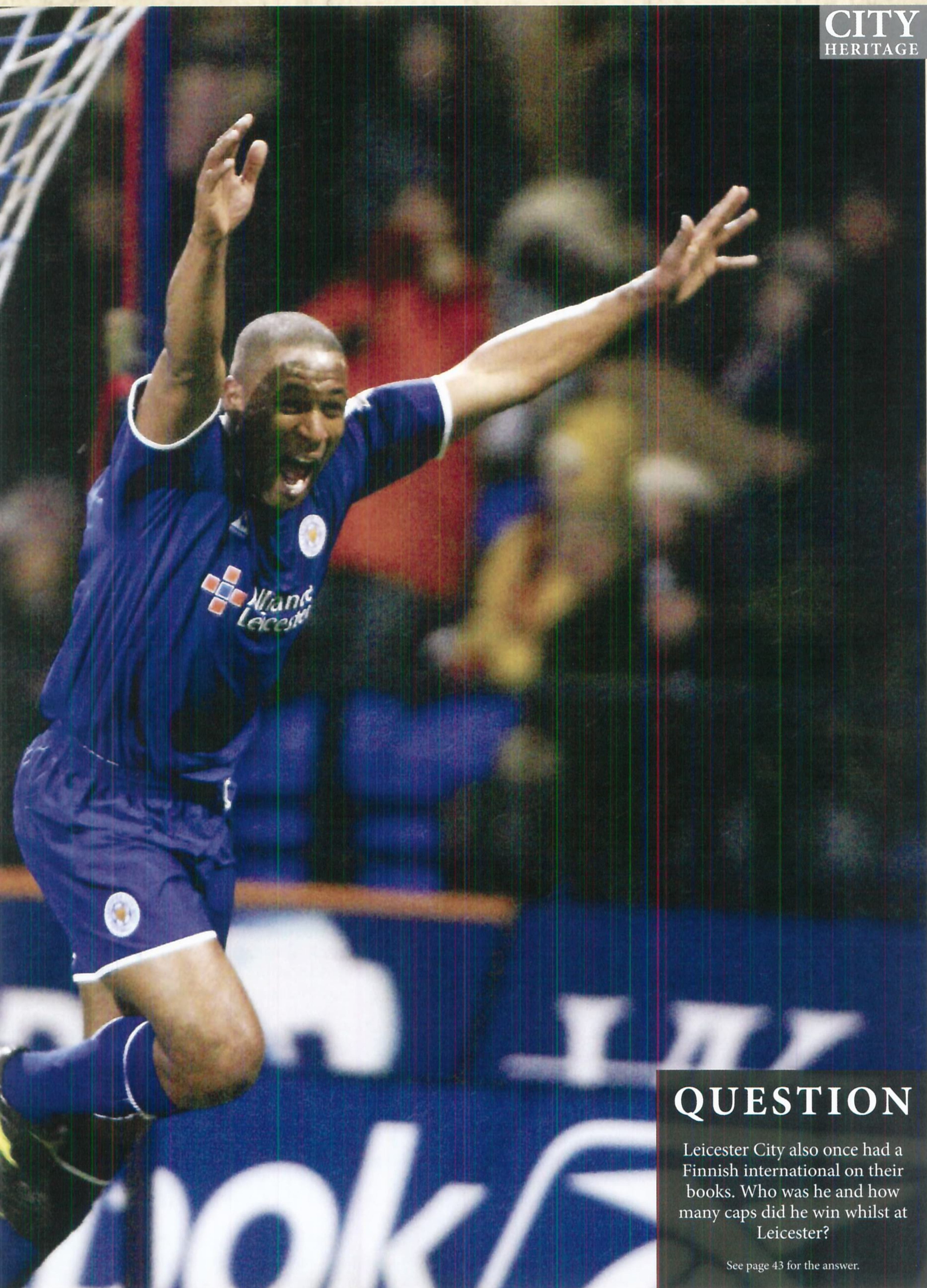
WHAT HAPPENED NEXT...

Leicester Fosse were promoted to the First Division for 1908/09. It was agreed to ask the Corporation to asphalt Filbert Street and improve the approach to the ground. The earth banks on the north and the east side of the ground were terraced. A bath and shower were added to the visitors' changing rooms. A new cash office was put in the Main Stand. The Brazil Street end (the Kop) was given a roof.

CLASSIC SHOT



In this Premier League fixture at the Reebok Stadium in February 2004, Les Ferdinand celebrates his headed goal against Bolton Wanderers' goalkeeper, the Finnish international, Jussi Jääskeläinen.



QUESTION

Leicester City also once had a Finnish international on their books. Who was he and how many caps did he win whilst at Leicester?

See page 43 for the answer.

GHOST GROUNDS

PART
TWENTY-SIX:

Rotherham Town's
Clifton Grove

Between 1891 and 1919, when the Club became Leicester City, Leicester Fosse played on many grounds which have long since disappeared. Today, there is little to indicate that these grounds ever existed. They have become Ghost Grounds. This season we will be revisiting the sites of these Ghost Grounds, searching for echoes of the occasions when Leicester Fosse played football there.



gates, and they all lost their league status before 1900.

THE HOME TEAM

Rotherham Town, founded in 1882, were founder members of the Midland League in 1899. Champions in 1892 and 1893, they became a Football League side in 1893/94, a year before Leicester Fosse. Due to bad results and bad gates, the club disbanded in 1896 after they had finished bottom but one in the league.

LEICESTER FOSSE AT CLIFTON GROVE

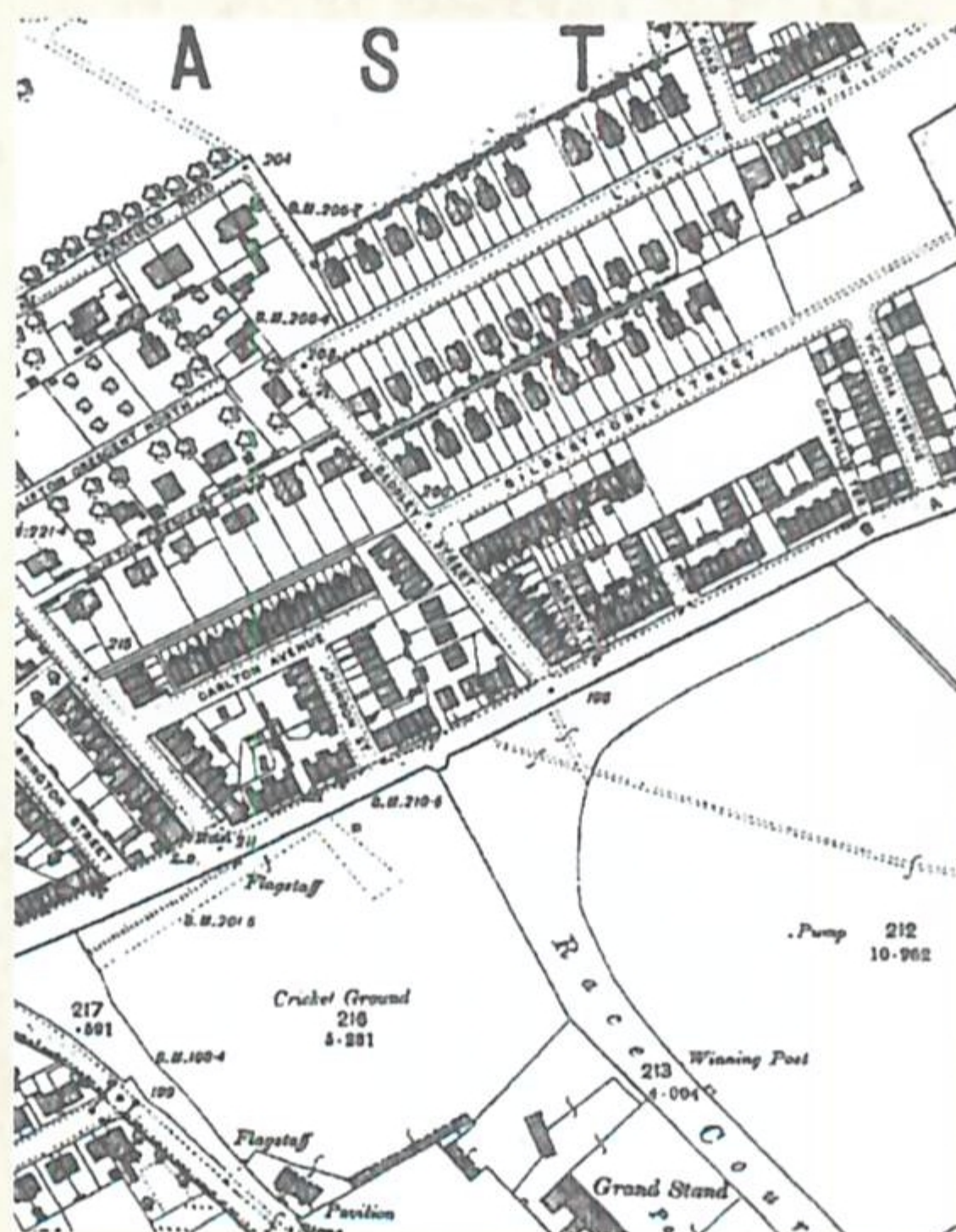
INTRODUCTION

Clifton Gove, the home ground of the short-lived Rotherham Town Football Club, only existed for five years, from 1891 to 1896. Leicester Fosse played there in the league on two occasions.

THE GROUND

Due to difficulties with the lease, Rotherham Town moved from the nearby Clifton Cricket Ground to the newly laid out Clifton Grove Ground in 1891. Unfortunately, as this ground only existed for five years, for the first time in this series of 'Ghost Grounds', there isn't an OS map in existence showing the old ground, so we can only guess its layout. There are no photographs of the ground either. It really is a Ghost Ground!

The closest we have is this map from 1903, which shows the location of the old cricket ground and the site of Clifton Grove Ground, after Lister



Street had been built on it.

The gates at Clifton Grove were abysmal. In their three years as a league side, the annual average gates were 1,325, 2,250 and 2,200. Only Walsall Town Swifts, Crewe Alexandra, Loughborough Town and Burslem Port Vale had lower average

Fosse lost 6-1 in a Midland League fixture on their first visit to Clifton Grove in 1892 to the Rotherham Town team pictured. At that time, Rotherham Town's most famous player was their goalkeeper, Arthur Wharton (back row, middle). Not only did he hold the world record for 100 yards, he also played professional cricket in the Lancashire and Yorkshire Leagues. Most famously, he was the first-ever black professional footballer. For some reason, he didn't play against the Fosse.

Leicester Fosse won one and lost one of their two Football League games at the ground.

CLIFTON GROVE'S DEMISE AS A FOOTBALL GROUND

After only five years, Clifton Grove disappeared under housing. Today, no trace remains.

BACK TO SQUARE ONE

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THE PHRASE ‘back to square one’ refers to the first of the squares on a numbered grid issued by the BBC in 1927 to help listeners follow radio commentaries of football matches. Each square represented an area of the pitch. Quite often the ball would go ‘back to square one.’ This became a catchphrase. Leicester City’s history often follows this pattern, with historical links leading us ‘back to square one.’



Goalkeeper **Gavin Ward** played for Brian Little’s Leicester City and Colin Todd’s Bolton Wanderers. He played in the Foxes’ 1994 Play Off-Final at Wembley and accumulated a total of nearly 400 league appearances for the clubs he played for.



Jimmy Hernon was a skilful inside-forward who spent six seasons at Filbert Street during the 1940s. In 1948, Leicester sold him to Bolton Wanderers for a record incoming fee of £14,750. He went on to make 43 appearances, before Bill Shankly signed him for Grimsby Town.



One of Jimmy’s team-mates at Bolton was their captain and centre-half **Matt Gillies**. Matt was signed for Leicester City in 1952, captained them to the 1954 Second Division title and went on to become a very successful manager at Filbert Street. His first club was Winchburgh, near Edinburgh.



Mike Whitlow was also a full-back who was at Sheffield United. He also played for Brian Little’s Leicester City and Colin Todd’s Bolton Wanderers. He played in the Foxes’ 1994 Play-Off Final side at Wembley and accumulated a total of nearly 400 league appearances for the clubs he played for...just like **Gavin Ward**.



Another player who made the journey from Hibernian to Leicester City was full-back **John Ogilvie** who was at Filbert Street between 1955 and 1960. Before moving to Leicester, John, who was recovering from a badly broken leg, spent a brief time on trial at Sheffield United.



Winchburgh was the birth place of Leicester City inside-left **Davie Gibson**. On coach Bert Johnson’s recommendation, Matt Gillies signed Davie for Leicester City in 1962 from Hibernian, for whom he had made 41 league appearances.

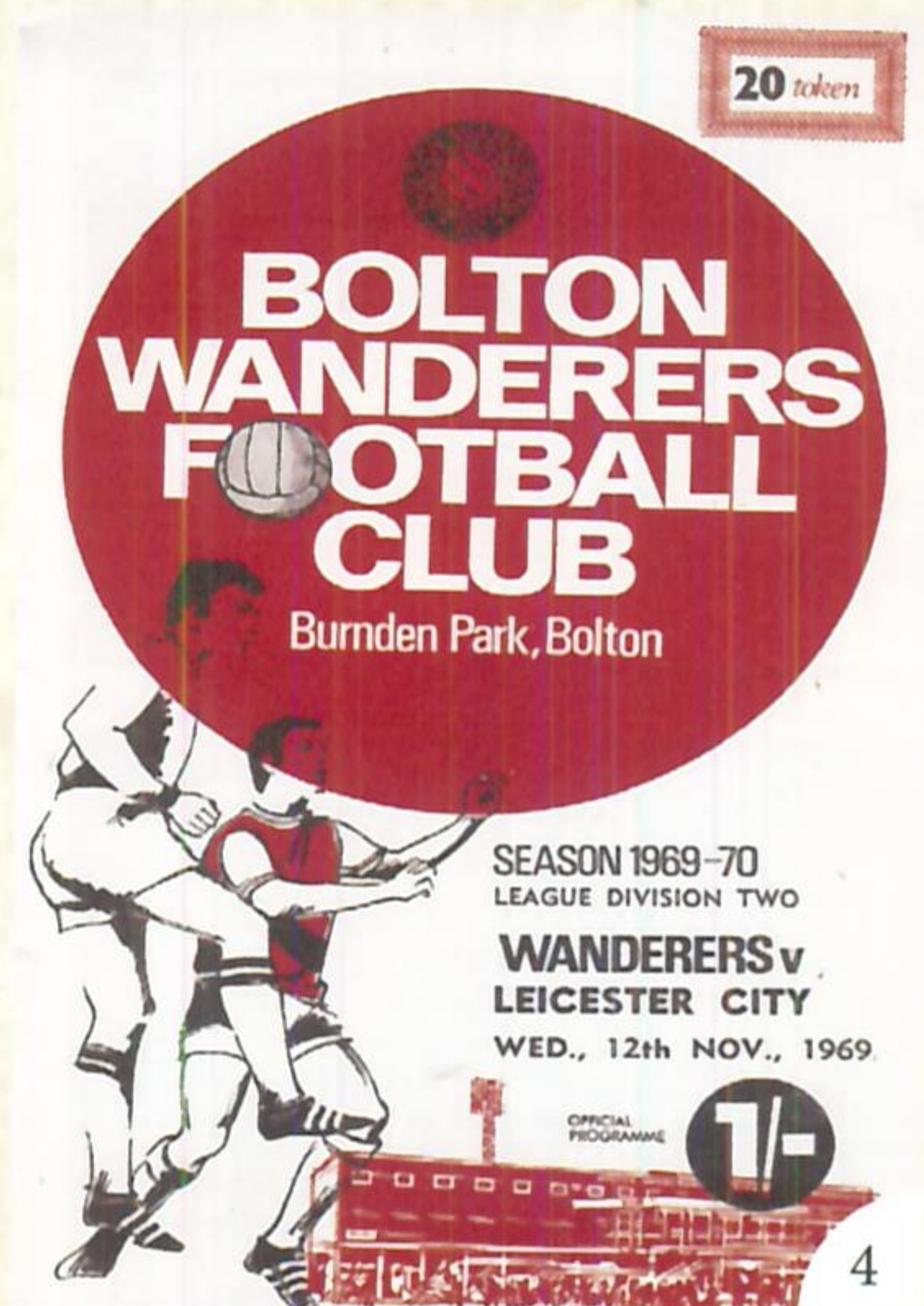
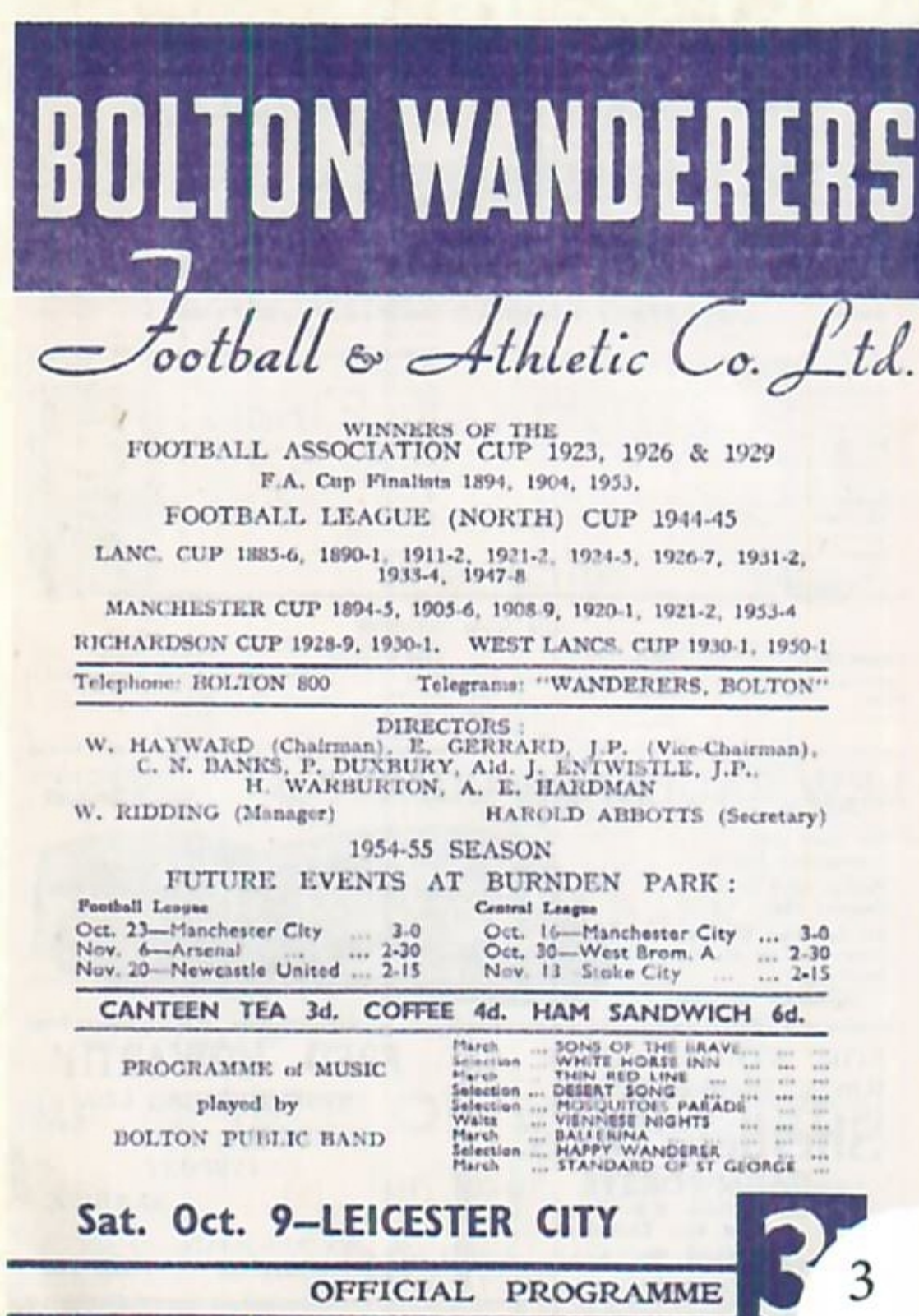
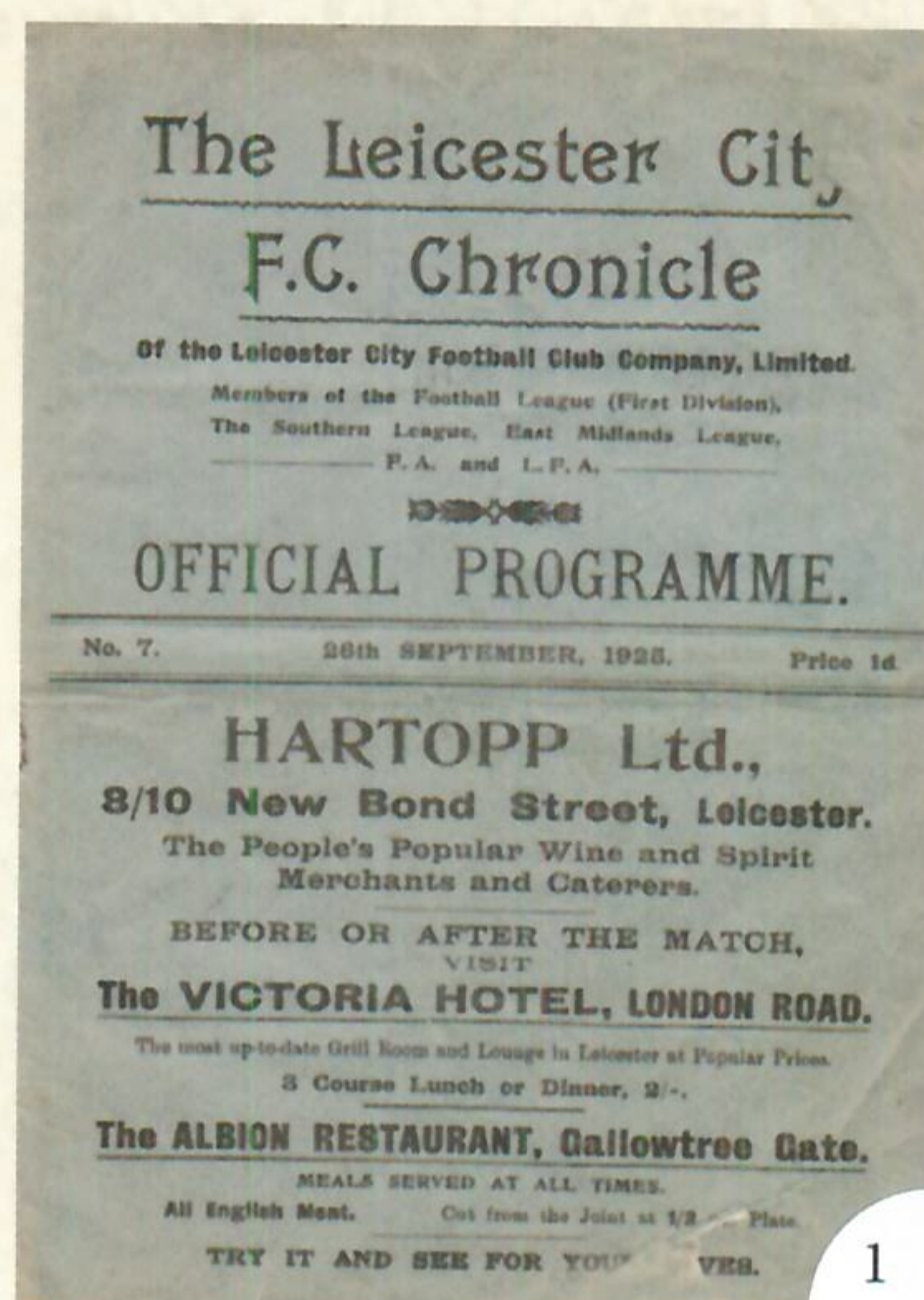
BOLTON WANDERERS

PAST EDITION

We continue to dip into the vault to recall the history of the day's fixture, while still keeping a visual check on how matchday periodicals have evolved through the ages...

Although rivalry with the Trotters actually dates back to the Fosse era, the earliest example from a clash between tonight's rivals actually dates from September 1925¹, the first-ever top-flight meeting. City's 12-page programme in those days was wholly typical, with only the date of the fixture adorning the cover and the advertising content distinguishing one season from another.

However, when Bolton arrived at Filbert Street for an FA Cup Fifth Round clash in February 1929², City went to the trouble of publishing a special large size edition, marking the occasion as something out of the ordinary. In fact, the Foxes had also produced a large size publication for Round Four, which listed the opposition on the cover, but extra advertising clearly held sway on this day. Oddly, the previous season's Fifth Round clash with Tottenham Hotspur had produced the all-time record crowd at Filbert Street. This campaign would see City finish as league runners-up; yet this tie only produced a crowd of 30,591 – some 8,500 fewer than for Swansea Town in the previous round and almost 17,000 down on the season before.



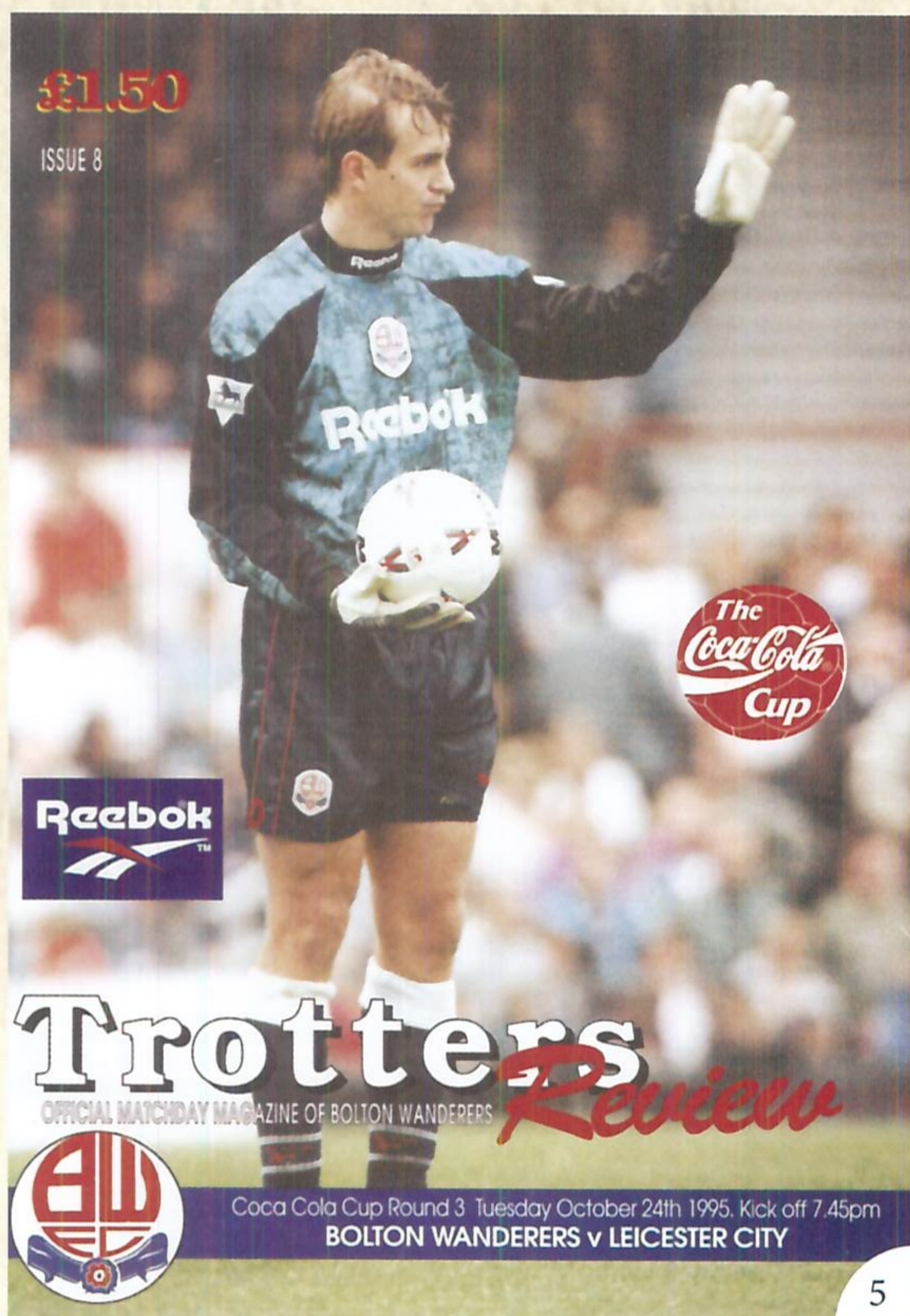
Rivalry continued through part of the 30s, but Bolton's home programmes have proved to be quite elusive from the pre-war era. In fact, the oldest edition we have from Burnden Park dates from the initial post-war clash, in October 1954³, a meeting marked by goals from legendary marksmen Nat Lofthouse and Arthur Rowley. At that time, the Trotters' publication offered just eight pages, but still incorporated 18 different adverts.

The clubs continued to face each

other in the top flight throughout much of the 50s and 60s, but it was City's first visit to Burnden Park back in Division Two on a Wednesday night in November 1969⁴ that was notable for a small piece of Foxes' history. Rodney Fern netted a hat-trick that night; the first City player to achieve the feat on an opponent's ground since the Rowley era – the 'Gunner' had done it at Luton Town in 1956. Bolton's programme at that time extended to 12 pages and still incorporated some 39 adverts!

FEATURED VAULT EDITION

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For our featured edition, we leap forward to a pair of League Cup clashes in the autumn of 1996. The initial tie at Burnden Park⁵ saw City earn a replay with a workmanlike performance to achieve a goalless draw. By this time, Bolton's publication had moved into the modern era, with 44 full colour pages for £1.50.

For the replay, City also produced a normal edition of their matchday magazine⁶, extending to 48 pages, also for £1.50. The cover photograph featured one of Mark McGhee's new signings, Swedish defender Pontus Kåmark, who had created quite an impression upon his debut days earlier at West Bromwich Albion. Unfortunately, Kåmark suffered a serious knee injury in this tie and would be out of action for some time before returning to make his mark in City's League Cup story the following season.

The other new signing to make an impression in his Hawthorns' debut was giant Australian goalkeeper, Željko

Kalac. However, his suspect positioning at corners that helped the Baggies claw their way back into that game which had been at the centre of post-match analyses, so his home debut was awaited with some trepidation. And with some justification as it turned out, as Kalac was generally considered to be at fault for all three Bolton goals, as the Trotters eased through to Round Four with a 3-2 win. Of course, Kalac would earn his own niche in City's history with his only other appearance for the Club – even though he never got to touch the ball on that occasion. The goalkeeper was brought on at Wembley by new boss Martin O'Neill in the dying seconds of the Play-Off Final later that season, in readiness for a likely penalty shoot-out. The substitution proved to be a distraction for the Crystal Palace defence, as Steve Claridge hammered a last gasp winner and Kalac ended his Foxes' career as an unlikely hero in the oddest of circumstances.

CLASSIC SHOT ANSWER: Jari Rantanen won 10 caps for Finland whilst at Filbert Street between 1987 and 1989.

CLASSIC SHIRT

THIRD - 1990 - 1992

This red Bukta shirt was Leicester City's third strip for the 1990/91 and 1991/92 seasons.

The shirt featured here was worn by David Kelly and is another shirt from Rob O'Donnell's unique collection of matchworn Leicester City shirts.

David Kelly had been signed from West Ham United by David Pleat for £300,000 in March 1990. He was top scorer during the 1990/91 campaign, in which the team only just avoided relegation to the old Third Division for the first time in the Club's history. Halfway through the 1991/92 season, which culminated in a Wembley Play-Off Final against Kenny Dalglish's Blackburn Rovers, Brian Little sold him to Newcastle United, against whom he had scored a hat-trick for Leicester City in a 5-4 victory the previous season.

A combination of Gary Silke's records and a careful study of video compilations reveal that Leicester City wore this red shirt on 11 occasions. Only three games were

won wearing this red design.

In 1990/91, the red shirt was worn at Blackburn Rovers, Bristol Rovers, Millwall, Brighton & Hove Albion, West Bromwich Albion, Sheffield Wednesday, Ipswich Town and Millwall.

It made only three appearances in 1991/92; at Brighton, Bristol Rovers and Blackburn Rovers.

Apart from one game against Blackburn in September 1990, when it was worn with navy shorts and navy socks (which were intended for use with the white away shirt), the red jersey was always worn as part of an all-red kit.

The only picture we have of the team wearing this shirt was taken by a fan on the Club's tour of Ireland in August 1991.

If you were the fan who took this picture, or if you have a picture of players wearing this shirt, please contact john.hutchinson@lcfc.co.uk



Bukta



WALKERS
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MARK WALLINGTON

REMEMBERS...



Club Historian John Hutchinson continues his conversation with goalkeeper, **Mark Wallington**, about his long career in football.

An England Under-23 international, Mark played 460 games for Leicester City between 1972 and 1985. Only four players have made more appearances in the Club's history. His 331 consecutive appearances between 1975 and 1982 is a Club record.

"In 1974, I was selected above Peter (Shilton), because he wanted a transfer. I broke my wrist and Peter was back in, then he left. I was back in again for a six-and-a-half year unbroken run."

After managers Jimmy Bloomfield and Frank McLintock left, Jock Wallace became manager of the newly-relegated Leicester City in 1978.

"When Jock arrived at Leicester, he went for youth. I had the utmost respect for Jock. He was the best manager I had the privilege of working under. I remember going to see him towards the end of his first season, when we were struggling in Division Two. Apart from me, the average age of the team was about 19 or 20. I said to him, 'Gaffer, we are fighting for our lives here. Surely we have to go for experience.' He just said, 'Mark, whatever happens, these are the lads who are going to be playing.' He had such great belief in what he was doing. The next season, we won the Championship.

"In our first season back in the top division, we beat Liverpool early on. Andy Peake scored the 'Goal of the Season' against them. It was a 35-yarder which beat (Ray) Clemence. The following season, Spurs beat us in the FA Cup semi-



final. They had (Glenn) Hoddle and (Ossie) Ardiles. They were too good for us. Garth Crooks scored their first, Ian Wilson scored an unfortunate own goal and Tommy Williams broke his leg.

"At the end of that season, Jock left and Gordon Milne came in. He broke up the side when they were still quite young. Alan Smith, Gary Lineker, Tommy Williams, Andy Peake and Larry May all left when Gordon was manager.

"I didn't see eye to eye with Gordon. I respected him as a manager, but he took the captaincy off me and I wasn't happy how he did it. I'd have stayed at Leicester for the rest of my career and hopefully gone on to coach, but it

wasn't to be. The rapport that I had with the fans was phenomenal. They were always 100% behind me. I'm eternally grateful for that.

"Highlights of my career included my debut against West Ham, winning the Division Two title at Orient and saving a last-minute Graeme Souness penalty in front of the Kop at Anfield. Martin Chivers was an outstanding opponent, but on their day anybody could be a terrific player. You always had to respect your opponents."

FROM TOP: Mark just before Leicester City's game against Arsenal at Highbury in April 1977; Mark in action at Filbert Street against Tottenham Hotspur in November 1974. Team-mate Frank Worthington (left) is in attendance.

FAMILY MEMORIES

Gary Newbon



Gary Newbon is a very well-known sports broadcaster for ITV and Sky, with over 45 years of experience.



of his earliest memories as a Foxes fan.

"My father flew 40 operations in Hampden bombers during the war. He was based at North Luffenham and at Market Harborough. He met my mother at a dance at Leicester's Grand Hotel. When they got married, one of their witnesses was a family friend, Tom Bromilow, who had been Leicester City's manager during the war, so his signature is on the wedding certificate.

"I was born in Cambridge. When I was six, in 1951, my dad brought me up to Leicester to spend time with my grandparents. They lived on Narborough Road above their dress shop. My grandfather started taking me to Filbert Street. When I was nine, I went to Culford Boarding School near Bury St Edmonds. I was in the same

Introduced to Filbert Street by his grandfather at the age of six, Gary recently shared with us some

year as John Motson. We used to listen to the football results on the radio, with two other lads. My grandfather sent me the Sports Mercury (the 'Buff') every week. I planned my school holidays around dates to go and see Leicester.

"My grandparents then moved to Baden Road in Evington. I remember a match against Everton on an Easter Monday. When we were 3-1 down, my grandfather's brother offered me a lift home and when I got there I went to get a 'Buff' from the newsagents on Evington Road and discovered that the score was 3-3. I vowed that I would never leave a football match early again, and I never have.

"The players I remember from the 1950s were Anderson in goal and (ex-England internationals) Johnny Morris and Jack Froggatt. Arthur Rowley was my hero, banging in all those goals. I saw Gordon Banks' debut.

"I remember David Halliday (the manager of the record-breaking 1957 side). He always used to sit wearing a hat. Matt Gillies, who followed him, was Leicester's best manager. He's been

lost in the mists of time. Everybody talks about Martin (O'Neill), but Gillies not only won the League Cup, he also got us to FA Cup Finals and we always did well in the top division.

"When I worked in Fleet Street, I wasn't able to watch Leicester as much. Then Billy Wright signed me up for ATV Sports in 1971. Being in Midlands television, I didn't initially advertise the fact that I was a Leicester supporter. Some board members knew though. When I was married in 1973, they brought us a silver wine tray as a wedding present.

"I love the Club. I always have done. Also, Leicester City's support, especially the away support, is stunning. They always get behind the team."

FROM TOP: As a boy, Gary watched this record-breaking Leicester City side of 1957. His hero Arthur Rowley is third from the right on the middle row; Ex-Leicester City manager Tom Bromilow, who was a witness at Gary's parents' wedding, is pictured here in his playing days in the 1920s when he was a Liverpool player and England international; As well as covering seven football World Cups, three Olympic Games and numerous other events, Foxes fan Gary was also Controller of Sport for Central TV for 23 years and Deputy Head of Sport for ITV.

SATURDAY NIGHT

SPORTS EXTRA

LEICESTER CITY v BOLTON WANDERERS

Once again we continue to pay our own homage to the late lamented sports extra, the Saturday night sports edition of the local paper that was once a common feature in towns and cities throughout the land...

Today, we feature an edition of the Sports Mercury, the 'Buff', from an afternoon when both team and supporters received something of a major shock at the hands of Play-Off winners, Bolton Wanderers – not the start to the 2001/02 campaign that anyone was expecting.

For much of the previous season, City, under new boss Peter Taylor, had been in contention for a place in Europe. And then, came the infamous defeat to Wycombe Wanderers in the FA Cup and the Foxes' world fell apart. 10 successive defeats had left City in the bottom half of the table and seriously in need of regrouping in 2001/02.

The opening fixture appeared to be an ideal opportunity, with the newly-promoted Trotters expected to struggle at Filbert Street. However, nobody appeared to have shown the visitors the script, as four first-half goals effectively ended the contest. Bolton eventually won the game 5-0 and Bill Anderson's headline summed up the afternoon perfectly for the Blue Army. It was,



SHOCKING START: Kevin Nolan runs away in delight after he scores the first goal which helped send City spiralling to a horror defeat and set up Wanderers first win at Filbert Street since 1960

effectively, the beginning of the end for Taylor's spell in the managerial chair.

Elsewhere, England's cricketers were attempting to stage a rally at Headingley in the fourth Ashes test, despite the series already being lost, led by an entertaining half-century from Alec Stewart. Tigers, still in pre-season mode, were eliminated

from the Middlesex Sevens in round two by Newcastle Falcons, while Nick Faldo carded an early hole-in-one during his third round of the US PGA Championship in Atlanta.

The headline used by the 'Buff' that evening was, incidentally, reused in January 2004, as City crashed to another 5-0 home reverse – this time to Aston Villa at the Walkers Stadium.

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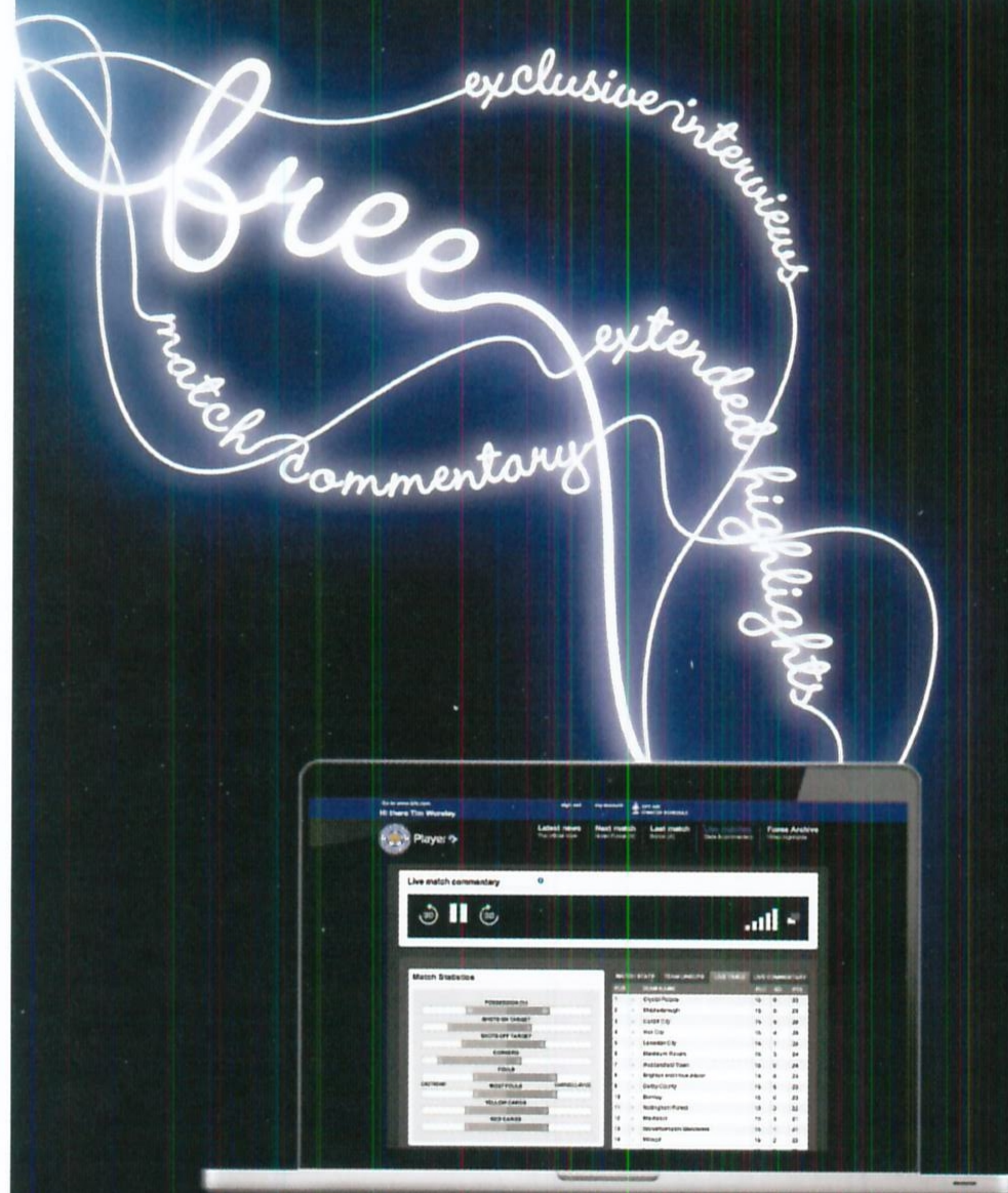
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FOXES Player





SCHLUPP KEEN TO BOUNCE BACK

With his hardworking attitude endearing himself further to the Leicester City faithful, Foxes striker Jeff Schlupp is eager to bounce back from the disappointment of Friday evening's late 2-2 draw with Birmingham City.

The Ghanaian international has impressed in his appearances both as a full-back and striker for City this term; netting the side's second goal in the encounter with Lee Clark's Blues after returning to a more-familiar forward role.

"I'm back playing up top now, where I feel most comfortable, and I'm happy with that," Schlupp told **Foxes Player** after the game. "I feel I did well in the last few games."

With City unable to increase their lead in the game Chris Burke's late penalty resulted in the points being shared between the two clubs from opposite sides of the Midlands.

"It looked like we'd done everything we could to get that win that we needed," Schlupp said.

"It's not nice, but obviously we're big men and we're going to pick ourselves up, go again and hopefully win the last four games to get into that Play-Off spot."

The Foxes' performance in Friday night's Championship

clash saw Nigel Pearson's side create a host of opportunities, with 20-year-old Schlupp one of a number of City players who missed chances to hit the back of the net.

However, Schlupp maintains that creating the number of chances that the side has can only be viewed as a positive, and has praised City boss Nigel Pearson for his ability to lift the team following disappointment.

"We created a lot of chances, but at the end of the day we've got to put them away," he admitted.

"We did score two goals today and that's a positive. We've just got to stop making errors and we'll get that win we need."

"The manager is great with the lads and all the staff are doing all they can to lift us," Schlupp continued.

"At the end of the day it's us on the pitch; we've got to do the business, and we need to pick ourselves up and go again."

SHARP SHOOTERS

Player	Team	Lge	Cup	Ttl
Glenn Murray	Crystal Palace	29	1	30
Charlie Austin	Burnley	25	3	28
Jordan Rhodes	Blackburn	24	1	25
David McGoldrick	Ipswich	20	2	22
Matej Vydra	Watford	20	0	20
Chris Wood	Leicester	18	2	20
Dwight Gayle	Peterborough	19	0	19
Tom Ince	Blackpool	18	0	18
Troy Deeney	Watford	16	0	16

WHERE TO SEE GOALS (By Ground)

Ground	Home Team	M	Gls	G/Mt
Ashton Gate	Bristol City	20	76	3.80
Selhurst Park	Crystal P	21	74	3.52
London Road Ground	Peterboro	20	67	3.35
Vicarage Road	Watford	21	61	2.90
Riverside Stadium	M'boro	20	58	2.90
Hillsborough	Sheff Wed	21	61	2.90
Pride Park Stadium	Derby	21	60	2.86
The City Ground	Nottm F	21	60	2.86
St Andrews Stadium	Birmingham	21	60	2.86
Molineux Stadium	Wolves	20	57	2.85
King Power Stadium	Leicester	20	57	2.85
The Valley	Charlton	21	58	2.76
Bloomfield Road	Blackpool	20	52	2.60
The Den	Millwall	19	49	2.58
Portman Road	Ipswich	20	51	2.55
The KC Stadium	Hull	21	53	2.52
Elland Road	Leeds	20	49	2.45
Reebok Stadium	Bolton	21	50	2.38
Oakwell Stadium	Barnsley	20	47	2.35
Cardiff City Stadium	Cardiff	20	47	2.35
Turf Moor	Burnley	21	49	2.33
Ewood Park	Blackburn	20	45	2.25
Amex Stadium	Brighton	21	47	2.24
John Smith's Stadium	Huddersfield	21	47	2.24

TEAM LEADERS

Team with the most..

shots on target 295 Bolton. **shots off target** 245 Middlesbrough. **corners** 310 Leicester. **hit woodwork** 16 Leicester. **offsides** 116 Birmingham. **fouls** 492 Bolton. **yellow cards** 88 Sheff Wed. **red cards** 4 Watford.

PLAYER POWER

Player with the most..

Shots 132 Chris Eagles (Bolton). **Shots on target** 77 Tom Ince (Blackpool). **Shots off target** 57 Chris Eagles (Bolton). **Assists** 12 Tom Ince (Blackpool). **Crosses** 215 Ahmed Elmohamady (Hull). **Offsides** 51 Marlon King (Birmingham). **Fouls** 70 Kevin Davies (Bolton). **Free-kicks won** 95 Wilfried Zaha (Crystal Palace).

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2012/13 SEASON



GOAL COUNTER 1335

RIGHT FOOT 703 goals

52.7%

LEFT FOOT 355 goals

26.6%

HEADERS 240 goals

18.0%

Own goals 29 (2.2%), Other body part 8 (0.8%)

QUICK-FIRE GOALS

From the start of a match

Albert Adomah (Bristol City vs Blackburn) 0:43

By a substitute after coming on

Nikola Zigic (Birmingham vs Crystal Palace) 0:56

DISCIPLINARY

1489

55

3.0 cards per match

0.1 cards per match

QUICK-FIRE CARDS

From the start of a match

Kevin Davies (Bolton vs Nottm Forest) 0:34

By a substitute after coming on

Michael Brown (Charlton vs Leeds) 1:02

SUB TOTALS

Subs used 2609

Offsides 2063

Corners 5454

Shots Off Target 5080

BEAT THE TRAFFIC

Total number of goals you would have missed by leaving every match ten minutes early

2

3

8

In the npower Championship this season there have been **5685** shots on target, goals constitute **23.5%** of all shots (doesn't include own goals). The woodwork has come to the rescue of the defending side on **233** occasions (the biggest beneficiaries being Peterborough **17**). There have been **147** penalties awarded this season and of those **112** have been scored (a success rate of **76.2%**). Crystal Palace have been awarded most penalties - **14**. Watford have given most penalties away **11**. The team to score the most penalties is Crystal Palace **11**. Brighton missed **4** penalties in the npower Championship this season.

RESULTS

How many times each result has occurred this season - home sides score shown first

0-0	31
0-1	38
0-2	22
0-3	4
0-4	3
0-5	1
1-0	53
1-1	58
1-2	45
1-3	8
1-4	8
1-5	1
1-6	1
2-0	34
2-1	57
2-2	33
2-3	12
2-4	1
2-5	-
3-0	14
3-1	17
3-2	11
3-3	5
3-4	2
3-5	1
4-0	4
4-1	9
4-2	5
4-3	1
4-4	-
4-5	-
5-0	1
5-1	2
5-2	2
5-3	1
5-4	2
5-5	-
6-0	2
6-1	2

*up to and including 10/04/2013

MANAGERIAL RECORDS

Nigel Pearson

Played 163 Won 77 Drawn 45 Lost 41
For 251 Against 158
Av Pts/game 1.69
Biggest Win(s) Leicester 6 Ipswich 0
(17/11/2012). Biggest Loss(es) Nottm
Forest 5 Leicester 1 (05/12/2009).

Dougie Freedman

Played 29 Won 12 Drawn 9 Lost 8
For 42 Against 33
Av Pts/game 1.55
Biggest Win(s) Bolton 4 Hull 1
(23/02/2013). Biggest Loss(es)
Peterboro 5 Bolton 4 (22/12/2012).

MANAGER HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played...5 Nigel Pearson2 Dougie Freedman1
Draws ...2 Goals 6 Goals 3

Player with the most... shots

David
Nugent 72

shots on target

David
Nugent 47

shots off target

David
Nugent 25

assists

Ben
Marshall 8

crosses

Ben
Marshall 44

fouls

Wes
Morgan 51

free-kicks-won

Danny
Drinkwater 43



Player with the most... shots

Chris
Eagles 132

shots on target

Chris
Eagles 75

shots off target

Chris
Eagles 57

assists

Chris
Eagles 10

crosses

Chris
Eagles 81

fouls

Kevin
Davies 70

free-kicks-won

Chris
Eagles 62

GAMES SINCE

8	a win	0
3	a home win	0
8	an away win	2
1	a defeat	2
0	a home defeat	7
1	an away defeat	0
0	a score draw	9
9	a no score draw	14
0	conceding a goal	2
0	scoring a goal	0
1	conceding > 1	2
8	scoring > 1	0
8	keeping a clean sheet	0
1	failing to score	3
15	back to back wins	0
1	back to back defeats	2
0	gaining a point	0
0	losing a point	2
8	win by > one	0
1	loss by > one	40

SHARP SHOOTERS

Leicester	FL Cup	Tot	Bolton	FL Cup	Tot		
David Nugent	14	0	14	Chris Eagles	9	0	9
Chris Wood	7	2	9	David Ngog	7	0	7
Anthony Knockaert	7	1	8	Marvin Sordell	3	4	7

TEAM HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played....61 Leicester wins.....19 Bolton wins.....23
Draws19 Goals 93 (1.5 per game) Goals 108 (1.8 per game)
0-0's.....7 Times failed to score 19 Times failed to score 17

Biggest League win at Leicester for each team:

04/05/1929 Leicester 6-1 Bolton

18/08/2001 Leicester 0-5 Bolton

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LEAGUE STATS



7	Position	8
41	Played	41
17	Won	16
9	Drawn	12
15	Lost	13
60	Goals For	60
38	Goals Against	53
60	Points	60



Record Against Top Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
7	5	6	10	7	6	6	9

Record Against Bottom Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
10	4	9	6	9	6	7	7

Record When Scoring First

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
15	4	1	5	12	5	5	10

Record When Conceding First

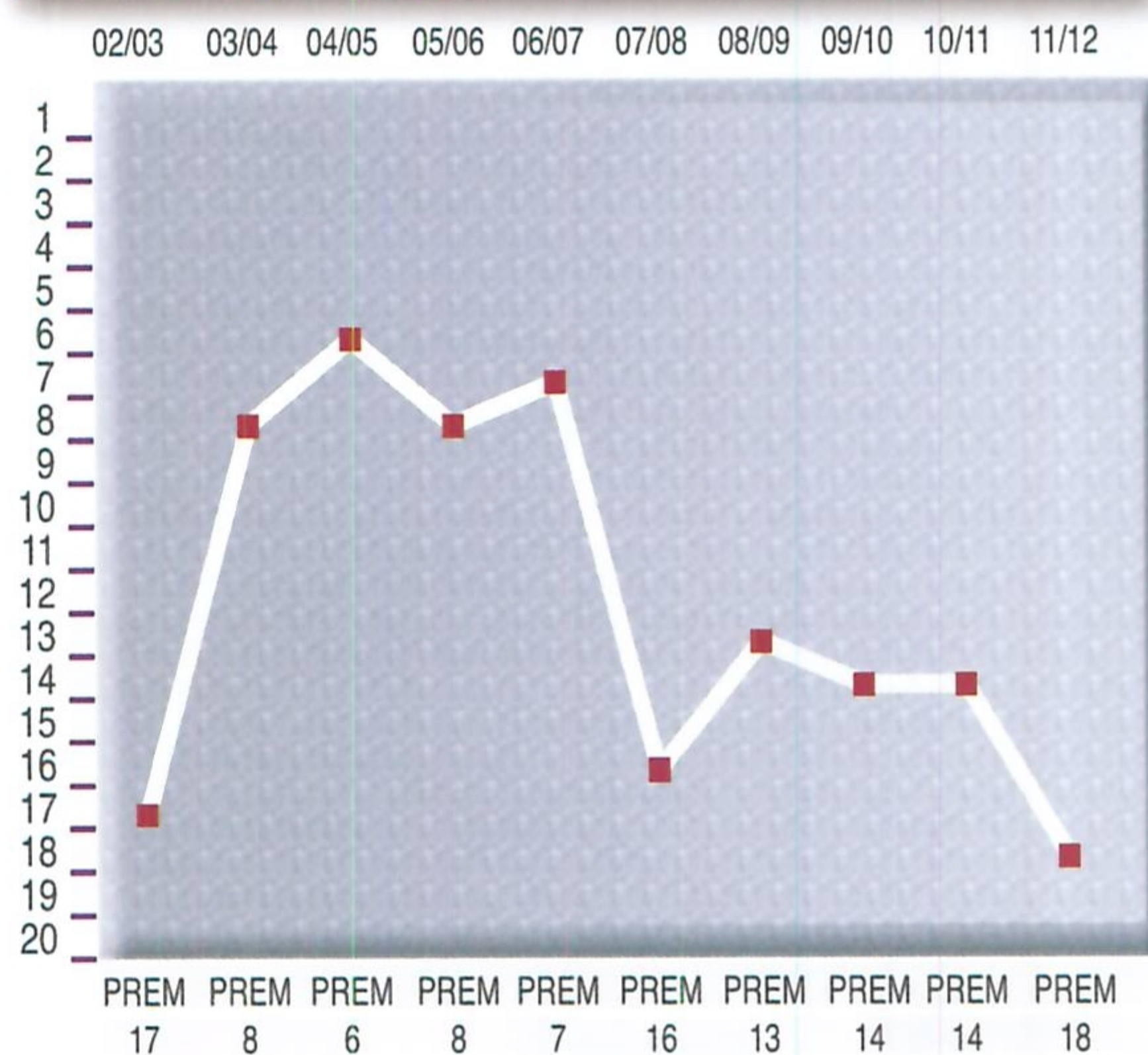
W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
2	2	14	18	4	5	8	4

Match Scores

Wins: 1-0[4], 2-0[4], 2-1[3], 3-0[1],
3-1[1], 4-0[1], 4-1[1], 6-0[1], 6-1[1],
Losses: 0-1[6], 0-2[1], 1-2[8],
Draws: 0-0[3], 1-1[4], 2-2[2]

Wins: 1-0[4], 2-0[3], 2-1[5], 3-1[1],
3-2[2], 4-1[1], Losses: 0-1[4], 0-2[1],
1-2[5], 1-3[1], 2-3[1], 4-5[1],
Draws: 0-0[2], 1-1[5], 2-2[5]

BOLTON - TEN SEASON RECORD

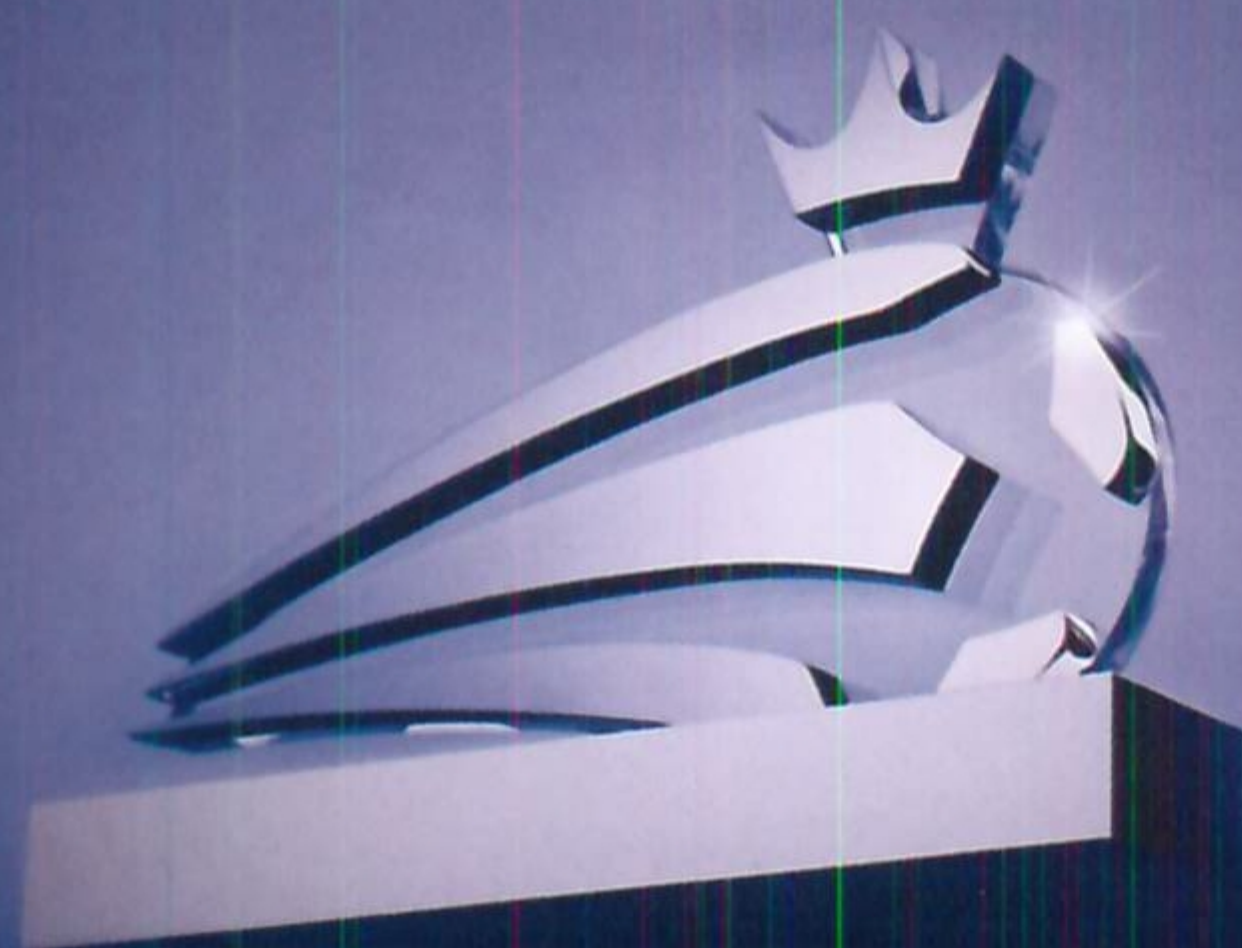


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Championship: Nick Webster - Derby County
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League 1: Luke James - Hartlepool United
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North West: Tranmere Rovers
in the Community

PFA PLAYER IN THE COMMUNITY

Inigo Calderon - Brighton & Hove Albion

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Adam Barker @adamb_lcfc

Palace away tickets have arrived #LCFC #CPFC



Andrew Brookes @standardandrew

Whatever happened to Julian Joachim? He was on target for Freiston Reserves at the weekend #LCFC



Kaelen McAtee @kaelenmcatee97

Got my Crystal Palace away tickets :) buzzing for it #LCFC #loveawaydays



Daniel Chapman @Danny_chappo

Best game I ever saw at Filbert Street; Bergkamp hat-trick...class! 97th min Walshy equaliser even better #LCFC



Alex Barnes @Oasisedup

Is there really any debate about goal of the season? Really? Knockaert flick vs. Huddersfield all day long #LCFC

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Experiencing something of a disjointed season, Bolton Wanderers appear to be making progress at just the right time, as the Lancashire club mount a charge for a top-six finish come the campaign's culmination next month.

Beginning the season as favourites for promotion, following their relegation from the Premier League at the end of the 2011/12 term, Bolton's form was disappointing, as the transition from top flight to second tier football appeared to be more challenging than expected. Three wins in 10 games was a run which ultimately cost then-Bolton manager, Owen Coyle, his position at the Reebok Stadium, with the side languishing in 18th place in the Championship.

His successor, named in October 2012, was young Scot, Dougie Freedman, who, at the time, was capturing the nation's attention with the work he was doing at Crystal Palace. The former Eagles striker

had put together one of the division's most attractive attacking sides whilst at Selhurst Park; however the lure of returning Bolton Wanderers to the Premier League proved too good to turn down.

Following a transitional spell under the side's new manager, Bolton Wanderers appear to have adapted to Freedman's methods and philosophy, as the team show signs of consistency. In recent weeks, the key appears to have been solidifying the unit's defensive resolve at home, as Bolton racked up 1-0 victories over Blackburn Rovers, Brighton & Hove Albion and Huddersfield Town in their last three games at the Reebok Stadium.

Boasting a side full of talented players that have performed in both the Premier League and Championship, it will be that resolve which will be key in Bolton Wanderers defying the odds and returning to the top flight at the first time of asking.

UPCOMING FIXTURES

Saturday April 20
Middlesbrough (H)
Championship

Saturday April 27
Cardiff City (A)
Championship

Saturday May 4
Blackpool (H)
Championship

LIKELY LINE-UP...

1. Ádám Bogdán
3. Marcos Alonso
12. Zat Knight
15. Craig Dawson
43. Danny Butterfield
7. Chris Eagles
20. Jay Spearing
21. Darren Pratley
27. Chung-Yong Lee
9. David Ngog
19. Marvin Sordell



HIGH POINT

Despite being a club that has won the FA Cup on four occasions during a 139-year history, it has been Bolton Wanderers' achievements in more recent years that are the most impressive, during an age where success in top-level football has become synonymous with money.

Under Sam Allardyce, the Trotters enjoyed some memorable occasions, returning to the Premier League in 2001 via the Division One Play-Off Final. In 2003/04, Allardyce guided Bolton to an eighth-place finish in the Premier League (then the club's highest-ever top-flight finish) and the final of the League Cup, where unfortunately, they were to fall 2-1 to Middlesbrough. However, the following season, Allardyce went one better, as the Trotters finished the season sixth in the Premier League, bringing European football back to Bolton.

LOW POINT

The 1960s were to start a tough 20 years for Bolton Wanderers and their supporters. In 1964, the side were relegated to the Second Division and later, in 1971, the Third Division.

The Lancashire club returned to

the First Division in 1978; however it was to be a brief spell, as Bolton Wanderers endured relegation again two years later. At the end of the 1981/82 season, Wanderers lost key players and, a year on, were relegated to the Fourth Division for the first (and only) time in the club's history, losing 4-1 to Charlton Athletic on the final day of the season.

LEGENDARY MANAGER - Charles Foweraker

Whilst Sam Allardyce's achievements at Bolton Wanderers are highly-regarded, no other Bolton Wanderers manager has achieved more than Charles Foweraker. The Trotters' manager between 1919 and 1944, Charles led Bolton to three FA Cup Final victories, the first of which – in 1923 – became better-known as 'the White Horse Final'. As well as being the club's most successful manager, he is also Bolton Wanderers' longest-serving, holding the position for an impressive 25 years. However, before that, Foweraker also worked as a gateman and checker at the club's Burnden Park home when it first opened. It was also Foweraker who discovered a young footballer named Nat Lofthouse, that would go on to become arguably the greatest player in the club's history.

KEY FACTS

Founded:
1874

Home Ground:
Reebok Stadium

Nickname:
The Trotters

Honours:
Second Division/Division One
Winners (1909, 1978, 1997),
Second Division/Division
One Runners-Up (1900, 1905,
1911, 1935), Second Division/
Division One Play-Off Winners
(1995, 2001), Third Division/
Division Two Winners (1973),
Third Division/Division Two
Runners-Up (1993), FA Cup
Winners (1923, 1926, 1929,
1958), FA Charity Shield
Winners (1958), Football
League Trophy Winners (1989)

DID YOU KNOW?

Bolton Wanderers have spent more time (73 seasons) in the top flight of English football, without winning the title, than any other club.

JOHN MCGINLAY

Born: April 8, 1964 in Inverness, Scotland

Bolton Wanderers Career: 1992-1997

Appearances: 245 Goals: 118

Other Clubs: Fort William, Nairn County, North Shore United, Yeovil Town, Elgin City, Shrewsbury Town, Bury, Millwall, Bradford City, Oldham Athletic, Cincinnati Riverhawks, Cincinnati Kings

Honours: First Division Winner (1996/97)

International: 13 caps and 4 goals (Scotland)

Standing at 5'9", John McGinlay was far from the tallest frontman in the mid-1990s, however, what he lacked in height he made up for in positional awareness and predatory instinct, whilst John often shrugged off the attention of oppositions' defenders with his impressive upper-body strength.

It was Bruce Rioch who brought fellow Scot, McGinlay, to Lancashire, shortly after signing John for Millwall whilst in charge at The Den. Arriving in 1992 alongside Keith Branagan and David Lee; the trio were to become key signings for Bolton Wanderers.

John formed an impressive strike partnership alongside Andy Walker; McGinlay scoring the goal which sealed Bolton Wanderers' promotion to Division One in 1993.

His form the following season was equally, if not more, impressive. Netting goals against some of the country's best teams in the FA Cup, McGinlay also scored 25 times in the league as Bolton Wanderers finished the season in mid-table. As a result of such impressive form, John was awarded the first of 14 caps representing Scotland.

As time progressed, so too did McGinlay's influence on Bolton Wanderers, who reached the 1995 League Cup Final and achieved promotion to the Premier League following a Play-Off Final victory over Reading at Wembley. Despite only staying in the top flight for one season, John remained the club's top goalscorer – and played an integral part in their return the following season.

DID YOU KNOW?

Whilst playing in the Highland League, John also worked as a part-time builder.





DOUGIE FREEDMAN

Born:

May 25, 1974 in Glasgow, Scotland

Playing Career:

Queens Park Rangers, Barnet, Crystal Palace, Wolverhampton Wanderers, Nottingham Forest, Crystal Palace, Leeds United (loan), Southend United

Honours:

Division One Play-Off Winner (1996/97, 2003/04)

International:

2 caps and 1 goal (Scotland)

Managerial Career:

Crystal Palace, Bolton Wanderers

DID YOU KNOW?

Freedman's only goal for Scotland came in a 2002 World Cup qualifier against Latvia.

An exceptional striker during his playing days, Dougie Freedman is now carving a similar reputation in management, recognised as being one of the most talented young bosses currently working in England.

Still in his late 30s, Freedman retired from playing in 2010, following a short spell with Southend United. Soon after, he returned to a club he became a legend with during two separate spells as a player – Crystal Palace – where he truly kick-started his career in management. Already possessing coaching experience, having worked with the Palace academy in 2007 whilst still playing, prior to a loan move to Leeds United, Freedman was installed as assistant manager to Paul Hart and was later retained following the appointment of George Burley.

On New Year's Day 2011, Burley was sacked as manager of the Selhurst Park outfit with Dougie taking on the role of caretaker for a short spell. Whilst many Eagles fans expected it to be for a short term, Freedman was later assigned the role on a full-time basis, with the Scot

bringing in the experienced Lennie Lawrence and former Palace team-mate Tony Popovic as his assistants. From there, Freedman guided Crystal Palace to Championship safety with games to spare – a feat impressive in itself, as many had consigned the Eagles to relegation at the turn of the year.

The following season further displayed Dougie's talents as a manager, as Palace started the season brightly. In the League Cup, Freedman guided the team to the semi-finals during a run that also included a famous 2-1 victory over Manchester United at Old Trafford.

With Freedman starting the 2012/13 campaign at the helm of Crystal Palace, the Eagles once again started the season strongly, bouncing back from a dismal opening month to go on a run of eight games undefeated; progressing the Eagles to fourth place in the division.

However, following the dismissal of Owen Coyle from Bolton Wanderers, the Trotters singled out Freedman as their number one choice as successor, with the offer too good for Dougie to turn down.

CHRIS EAGLES

Born: November 19, 1985 in Hemel Hempstead

Previous Clubs: Manchester United, Watford (loan), Sheffield Wednesday (loan), N.E.C. Nijmegen (loan), Burnley

Honours: Championship Play-Off Winner (2005/06, 2008/09), FA Community Shield Winner (2007)

An established Championship winger, Chris Eagles possesses both pace and a lethal eye for goal, with his performances for Bolton Wanderers this term defining consistency. Eagles began his career with local side Watford as a youngster, however, in 2000, he made the move to Premier League giants Manchester United aged just 14, in a move which saw Danny Webber head to Watford as part of a compensatory package.

Progressing through the Old Trafford academy, Eagles made his first-team debut in 2003, with his first United goal coming in a 4-2 Premier League victory over Everton in 2007.

As part of his development, Chris spent time back at Watford on loan over two separate spells; a highlight of which was a stunning 50-yard strike against Brighton & Hove Albion which won him the club's Goal of the Season award at the end of the 2005/06 season. The winger was part of a Watford outfit that would beat Leeds United for a place in the Premier League the following year.

In 2008, Owen Coyle signed Eagles for Burnley on a permanent basis, citing his attacking versatility as an admirable attribute. Chris would become a key performer for the Clarets during his three seasons at Turf Moor, which included promotion to the Premier League, netting 20 league goals in 120 appearances.

Following Coyle's appointment as Bolton Wanderers manager in January 2010, Eagles was reunited with his former boss and has gone on to become an integral player in the Trotters' side.

DID YOU KNOW?

Eagles joined Bolton Wanderers on the same day as defender Tyrone Mears – who was also at Burnley at the time.





MARVIN SORDELL

A player whose progression received national recognition last term, striker Marvin Sordell's emergence at his previous club, Watford, made him one of the Championship's hottest properties. A product of the Vicarage Road youth system, Sordell made his debut for the Hornets in August 2009, replacing Nathan Ellington against Sheffield United before scoring his first competitive goal against Leeds United in the League Cup.

Lightning-quick, Marvin's pace and exceptional finishing ability led to his name becoming a frequent fixture on the Watford scoresheet, as he would become a regular in the side during the 2010/11 season, fighting off competition from Troy Deeney and Danny Graham for a place in the team.

His form led to Bolton Wanderers signing Sordell in January 2012, with the forward making three Premier League appearances that term.

ZAT KNIGHT

Towering central defender Zat Knight has been an important player for Bolton Wanderers since signing from Aston Villa in 2009. Knight's imposing frame and reading of the game, in addition to his vast amount of experience playing at the top level of English football, have resulted in his place in the team proving integral to Wanderers' success in the Championship.

An academy product at Fulham, Knight – whose cousin is former Brighton & Hove Albion striker, Leon – made 150 league appearances for the Cottagers, which resulted in him receiving two caps representing England, before making the move to Aston Villa; the club he supported as a boy. Across two seasons at Villa Park, Zat made 40 appearances before Bolton Wanderers parted with a reported £4 million fee for the defender's services.

JAY SPEARING

Currently on loan to Bolton Wanderers from Premier League Liverpool, midfielder Jay Spearing is a player with a hugely promising future in the game.

Leicester City supporters will be familiar with Spearing, who spent his first loan move away from Anfield at the Club during the 2009/10 season, where he formed part of the side that reached the Championship Play-Offs.

A tenacious central midfielder, Spearing was named in the Liverpool squad for the 2010/11 season, cementing his place in the side following the absence of Steven Gerrard through injury whilst receiving acclaim for his workman-like performances in the Premier League.

The following season saw Jay limited to appearances, with the signing of Charlie Adam resulting in reduced opportunities; however the appointment of Brendan Rodgers proved beneficial for the 24-year old, who has openly admitted to being an admirer of Spearing.



MARC
ILES

The Bolton News

Marc Iles has been the Chief Football Writer at the Bolton News for five years; working as assistant for three years beforehand.

“DOUGIE HAS BUILT FROM THE BACK AND QUICKLY MADE THE TEAM MORE DIFFICULT TO BEAT...”



What have you made to Bolton's season?

It has very much been a season of two halves. Like Wolves and Blackburn, we struggled to come to terms with life in the Championship, but things slowly turned round and by New Year you could see signs of promise. Since then, it has been full steam ahead. The team looks more organised and most importantly, they have found a way of grinding out results.

What are the key changes that Dougie Freedman has made since becoming manager; and what is he like to work with from a media perspective?

Dougie has built from the back and quickly made the team more difficult to beat. He established a system that the players now look comfortable with, and that has been a major factor in the upturn in results. The team are more tactically aware and a lot more difficult to predict.

I've found it enjoyable working with the manager over the last six months or so. He doesn't waste words and you get the feeling that all his statements are considered, which makes him very quotable. Always a plus point in my job.

Do you have any funny stories you can tell from your time covering the club?

I've been lucky enough to travel around the globe with Bolton – covering games in Holland, Germany, Greece, the US

and Canada.

But the strangest experience I think I've had was being pulled by customs officials coming back from a friendly in Belfast.

The police found traces of nitro-glycerine on my laptop case and questioned me for about an hour. After ascertaining I had no noticeable terrorist connections, I was released. It later turned out that the problem had been caused by a melted Werthers Original that I had cleaned off my bag with a baby wipe!

What have you made to Leicester City this term?

My wife is a Leicester fan, from East Goscote, so I keep a close eye on how they are getting on. Nigel Pearson's teams always look solid and well-organised, and a lot of that comes from Kasper Schmeichel, who I regard as one of the top two goalkeepers in this division. You have some great footballers in there too – particularly in midfield with the likes of Drinkwater and Marshall.

Who are the key players in the Bolton side that City fans should look out for?

Goals have been evenly spread around the team, but Chris Eagles is the one who can often spark something out of absolutely nothing. He has that x-factor that might just be the difference at this stage of the season.



Bolton Wanderers 2 Leicester City 2

Sunday 28 December 2003
Premiership - Attendance: 28,353

Bolton Wanderers: Jääskeläinen, Hunt, N'Gotty, Charlton, Gardner, Campo, Nolan, Giannakopoulos (Pedersen 75'), Okocha, Djorkaeff, Davies
Subs Not Used: Poole, Ba, Thome, Jardel
Goals: Thatcher (35' og); Campo (54')
Booked: Campo

Leicester City: Coyne, Curtis, Hignett (Brooker 71'), Heath, Thatcher, Davidson, Scimeca, Izzet, Scowcroft, Dickov (Ferdinand 70'), Bent (Stewart 84')
Subs Not Used: McKinlay, Impey
Goals: Bent (18'); Ferdinand (90')
Booked: Izzet, Thatcher, Davidson
Referee: N Barry



Bent (18'): A poor Jääskeläinen clearance was played forward to Bent, who curled the ball over the keeper from 25 yards.
Thatcher (35'): Free-kick diverted in by Thatcher, although original reports credited N'Gotty; a disputed goals panel ruling.
Campo (54'): Low drive from 25 yards, giving Walker no chance.
Ferdinand (90'): Izzet's right wing corner headed home by Ferdinand.



Leicester City 1 Bolton Wanderers 1

Tuesday 10 February 2004
Premiership (Live on Sky Sports 2)
- Attendance: 26,674

Leicester City: Walker, Taggart, Guppy (Stewart 83'), Dabizas, Thatcher, Freund, Scimeca, Nalis (Davidson 76'), Bent (Scowcroft 36'), Dickov, Ferdinand
Subs Not Used: Coyne, Sinclair
Goal: Ferdinand (15')
Booked: Thatcher

Bolton Wanderers: Jääskeläinen, Barness, Charlton, Nolan, N'Gotty, Djorkaeff (Moreno 81'), Frandsen, Pedersen, Davies, Campo, Thome
Subs Not Used: Poole, Ba, Otsemobor, Vaz Tê
Goal: Walker (33' og)
Booked: Nolan, Davies
Referee: U Rennie



Ferdinand (15'): Scimeca's cross led to a Ferdinand header saved by Jääskeläinen, but the City striker followed up to slam the ball home.
Walker (33'): A controversial free-kick move, with two visitors initially in offside positions, caused confusion, during which Walker fumbled under a Kevin Davies challenge to allow the ball to roll over the line.

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A warm welcome back to King Power Stadium this evening, as we welcome Bolton Wanderers to Filbert Way for the penultimate home fixture in the regular season. I'd like to extend a special welcome to the supporters who have made the journey from Lancashire to Leicester tonight.



In the last issue of City Matchday Magazine, for the game against Birmingham

City, you may have seen my 'Select Eleven' feature, which was published within the junior section of the publication. I was recently down at the Training Facility, speaking to members of the Club's media team, who mentioned that they needed an additional feature for the segment. Somebody turned to me and asked who would make my team and I started to reel off some names. Before I knew it, I was asked to put a team together for the feature myself!

What an incredible task it was to try and select just 11 players to put into a choose side! I've had the pleasure of playing alongside and against some of the greatest players to have ever pulled on a football shirt, so I was really wracking my brains when thinking of the select team.

In goal, I had to choose Gordon Banks; not only a Leicester City great, but an England World Cup-winning goalkeeper. My defence was made up of the legendary Brazilian Carlos Alberto, Ray Wilson – another member of the 1966 World Cup-winning team, Giacinto Facchetti – an Italian attacking

full-back that also played in the 1966 and 1970 World Cups and the great Bobby Moore, a man who needs no introduction. I know that there may be a couple of players in there playing out of their usual position, but I reckon they could do a job. Individually, they were all superb.

In midfield, again, players that are perhaps playing a little differently than they did in reality – but this is fantasy football isn't it? As a holding midfielder, it had to be Der Kaiser, Franz Beckenbauer – a pioneer in that position. Alongside him in midfield, I named the Portuguese António Simões; a player I played against whilst I was at San Jose. What a fantastic little player he was! And finally, pushing forward, it had to be a player that is rightly-regarded as the best ever – Pelé. A simply sensational player; I don't think there are any words to describe him that haven't already been used.

I had a front three in my select team. On the left, I named the magnificent Manchester United winger George Best, whilst on the opposite flank; it's the legendary Portuguese forward, Eusébio. Leading the line for my side; a man who was simply sensational at Tottenham Hotspur during the 1960s, Jimmy Greaves.

Not a bad side is it? But the problem wasn't naming the team, it was the number of players I was forced to leave out. So, today, I will list my

reserves – none of the other people that named their 'Select Eleven' have had chance to do that! I played against some amazing players and these make the squad; Denis Law, Gerd Müller, Bobby Charlton, Dave Mackay, Martin Chivers, Alan Ball, Geoff Hurst – even Stanley Matthews and Tom Finney going a bit further back!

One player that I really debated over was David Nish (pictured, above) – and I need to give him a special mention; because chances are, he's reading this! Between 1966 and 1972, David Nish was a superb defender for Leicester City before moving to Derby County, where he also received recognition from England. David, if you're reading this – you were very close to making it, son!

What struck me the most, though, as I was putting this team together, was how fortunate I was to play in an era so rich in footballing talent. It really was a golden era for football around the world. And these were just the players I played against. Perhaps soon, I'll do a team of players I played alongside.

Back to this evening's game; do get behind the lads again tonight, as your support can be massive in helping us get to where we want to be.

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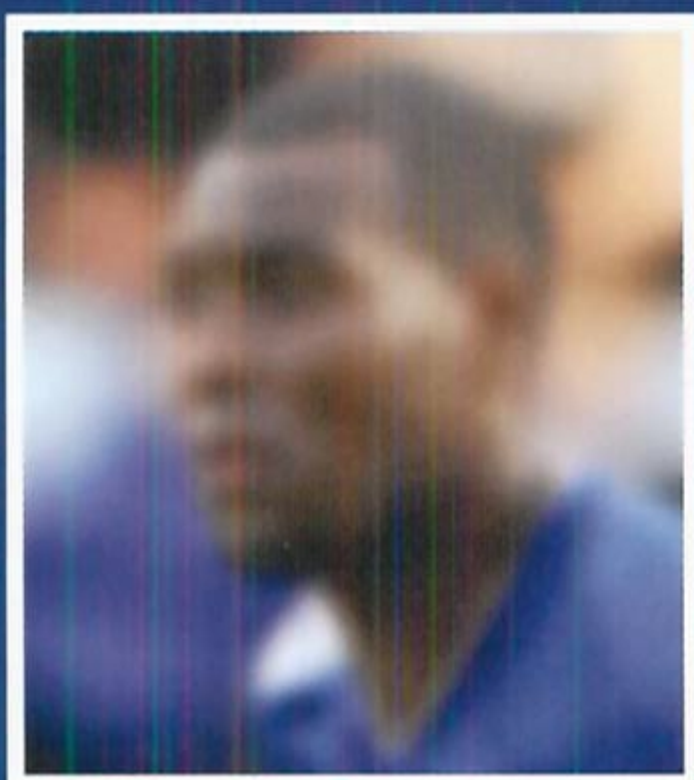
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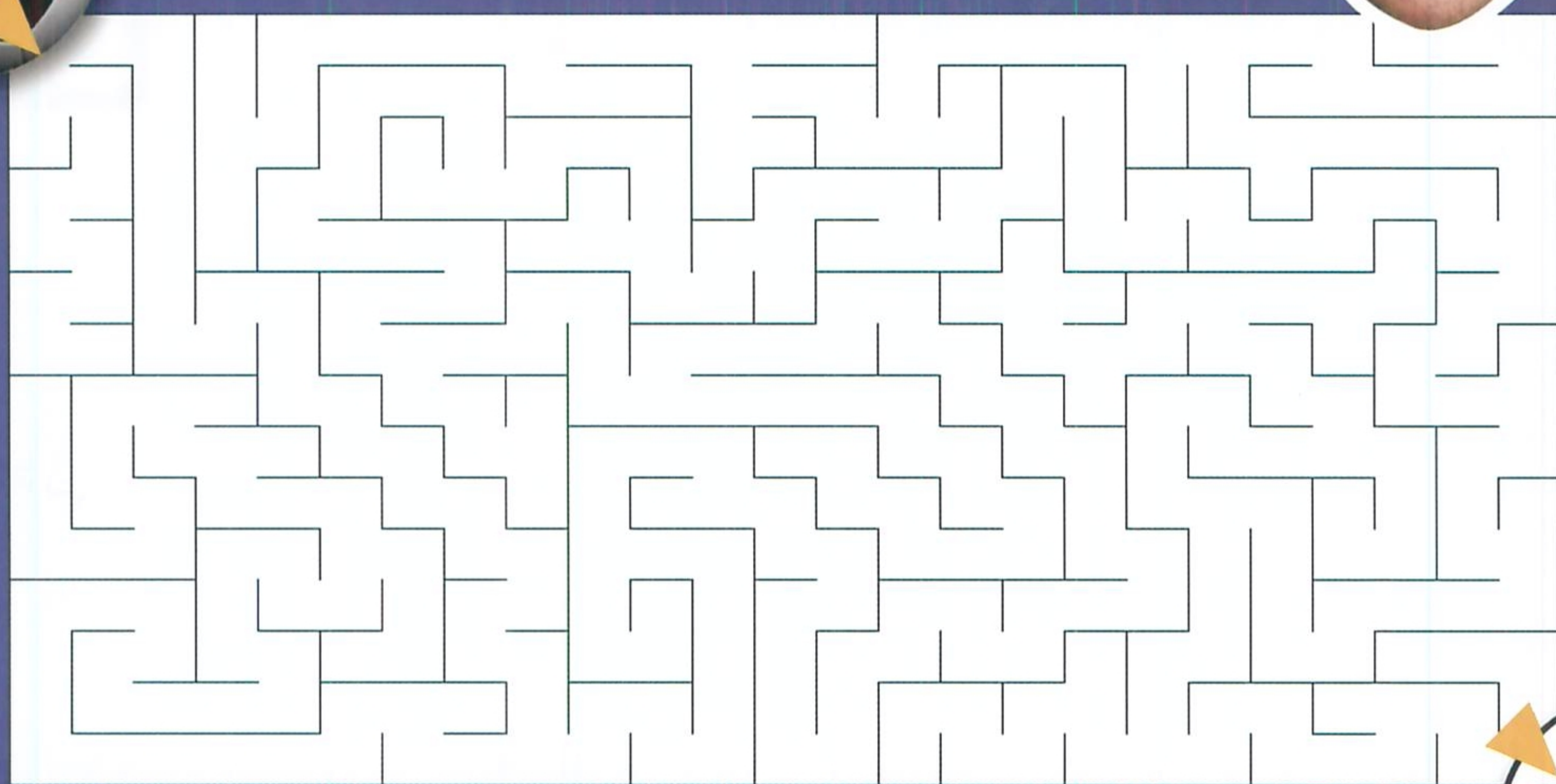
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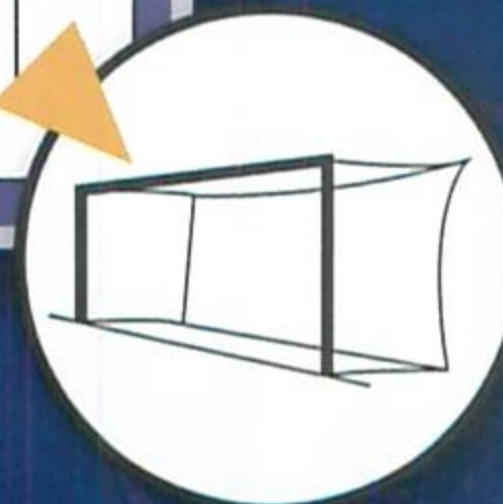
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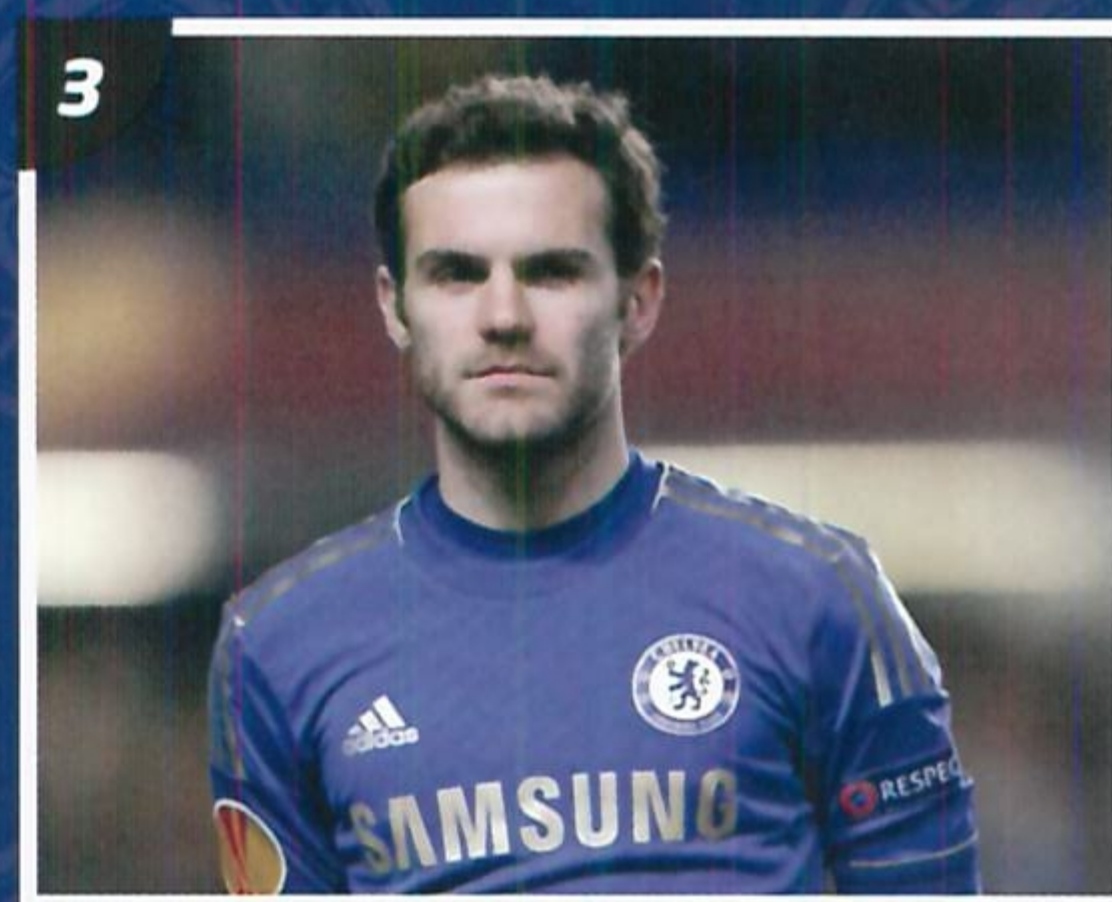


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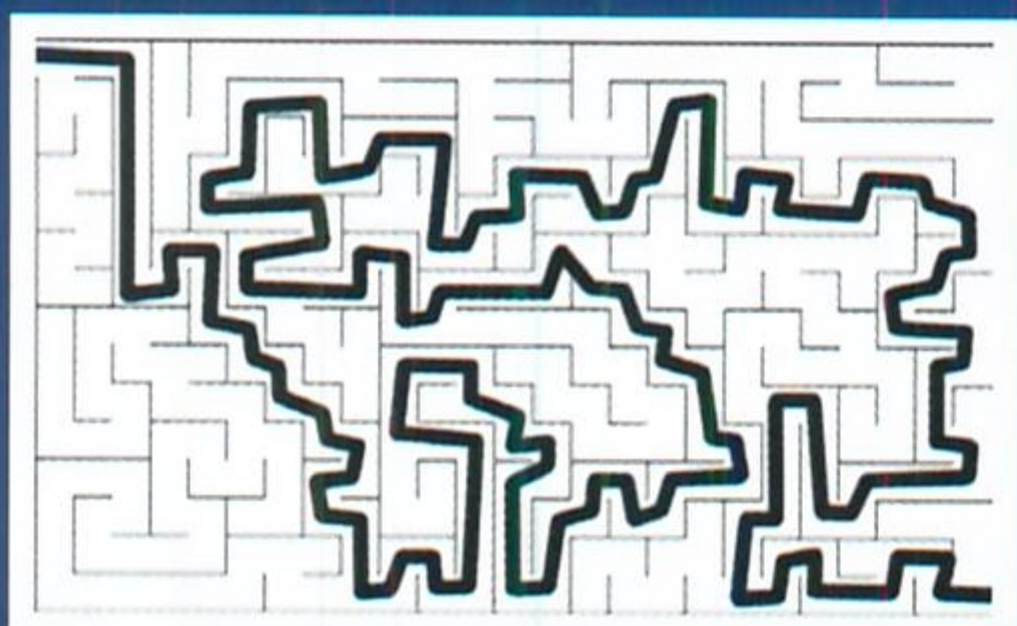
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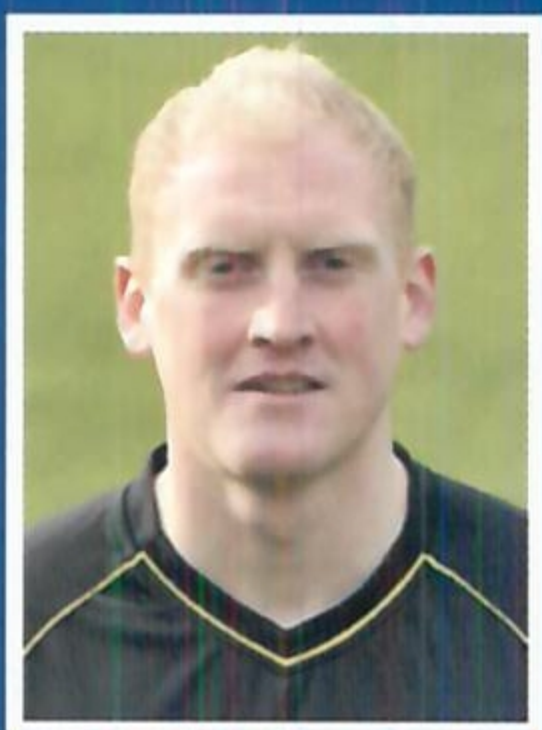


QUIZ ANSWERS

WHO AM I: Wes Morgan

PLAYER QUIZ: 1. Steven Gerrard, Liverpool 2. Jermain Defoe, Tottenham Hotspur 3. Juan Mata, Chelsea

NUGENT'S ROAD TO GOAL: Solution on the left.



MY SELECT ELEVEN

Leicester City goalkeeper **Conrad Logan** has named a select eleven, based on players that he has played with or against – **what do you think of his team?**



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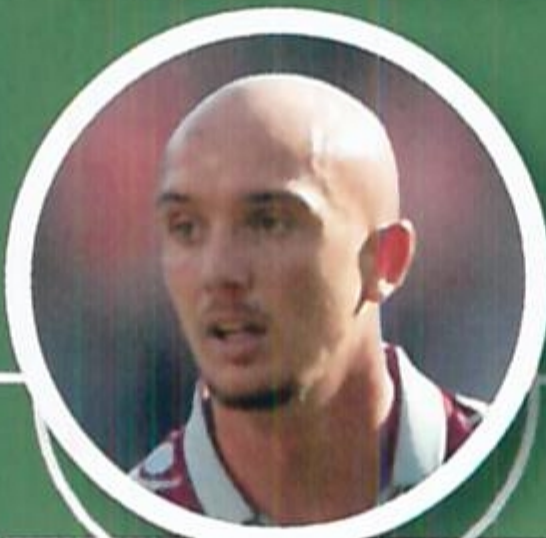
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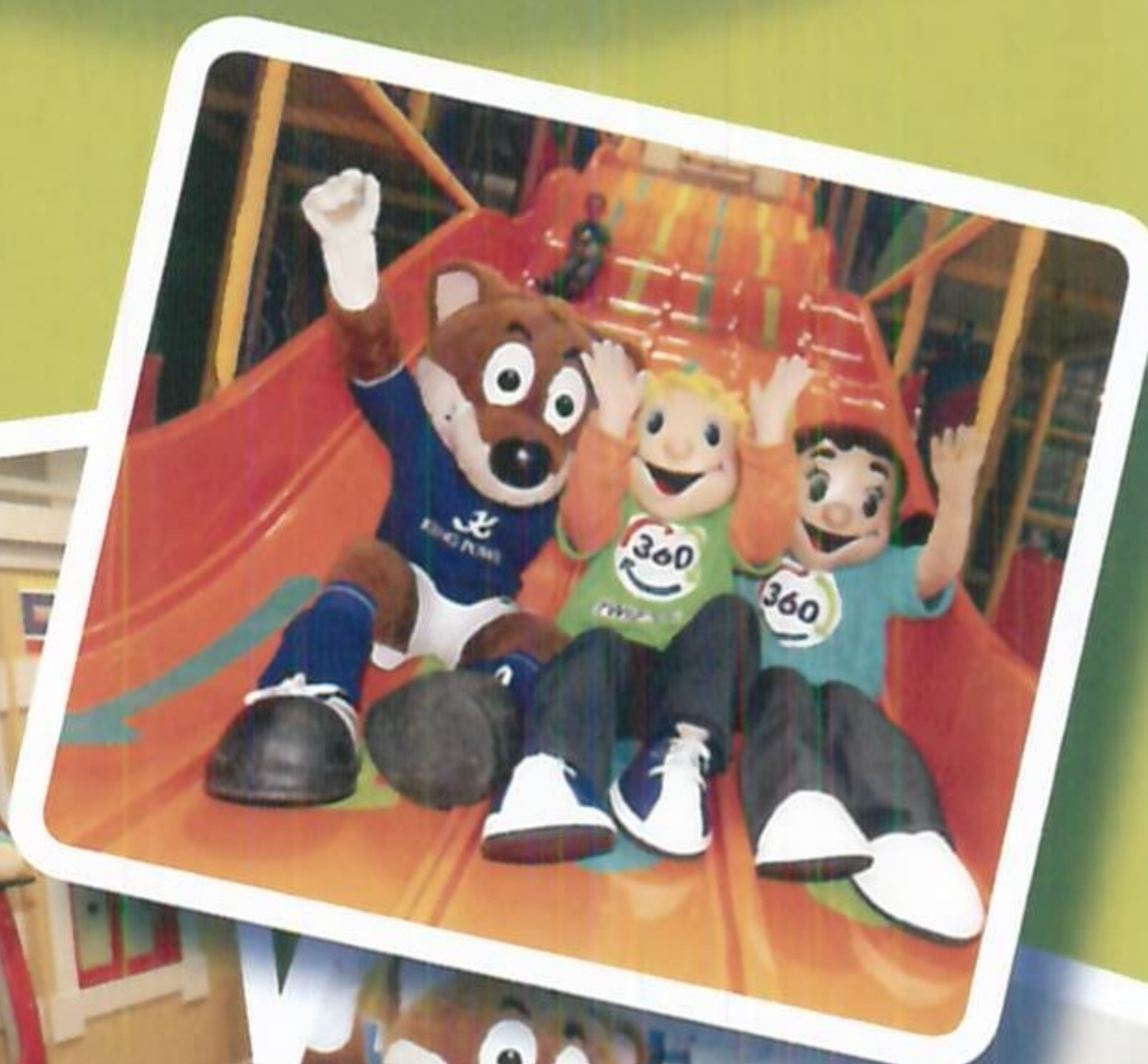


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Jermaine Beckford*	Aug-11	2(2)						1		35(8)	9			4(1)	6	1			
Neil Danns*	Jun-11	0(1)						1(1)		23(8)	5			5		2(3)	1		
Ritchie De Laet	May-12	35(2)	1			3	1	2		35(2)	1			3	1	2			
Danny Drinkwater	Jan-12	41	1			0(1)		1		54(6)	3			0(1)		1			
Lloyd Dyer	Jul-08	23(15)	2			2(1)		1	1	136(45)	22	2		12(2)	2	7(1)	4	3	
Márkó Futács	Jul-12	0(9)	1			2		0(1)	1	0(9)	1			2		0(1)	1		
Paul Gallagher	Sep-09	0(7)				1		1		81(38)	25	2		8(1)	1	8	2		
Tom Hopper	Oct-11													0(1)					
Matty James	May-12	16(4)	2			2		2	1	16(4)	2			2		2	1		
Harry Kane**	Feb-13	5(5)	1							5(5)	1								
Michael Keane**	Nov-12	18	2			3	1			18	2			3	1				
Andy King	May-07	31(7)	5			2		0(2)		186(26)	43	2	1	10(1)	3	4(5)	1	3	
Anthony Knockaert	Aug-12	29(9)	7			1(1)		1	1	29(9)	7			1(1)		1	1		
Paul Konchesky	Jul-11	36	1			3		2		78	3			7(1)		3			
Jesse Lingard***	Nov-12	0(5)								0(5)									
Conrad Logan	Jul-03									21(2)						6			
Ben Marshall	Jan-12	24(14)	4			2		1	1	36(18)	7			3(1)	1	1	1		
Liam Moore	Jul-12	10(5)						1		11(5)						1			
Wes Morgan	Jan-12	41	1			3		1(1)		55(2)	1			5		1(1)			
David Nugent	Jul-11	35(3)	14			1(2)		0(1)		76(4)	29			6(2)	1	0(2)			
Harry Panayiotou	Apr-12									0(1)	1								
Jeff Schlupp	Mar-11	9(6)	2					1		12(24)	4			1(1)		4	4		
Kasper Schmeichel	Jun-11	42				3		2		88				8		2			
Sean St Ledger*	Jul-11	8(1)						1		31(4)				4	1	4			
Jamie Vardy	May-12	17(9)	4			1(1)		1	1	17(9)	4			1(1)		1	1		
Martyn Waghorn	Aug-10	9(15)	3			1(2)		1		48(53)	20	1(1)		2(4)		2(1)			
Richie Wellens	Jul-09	2				2				126(3)	4	2		10(1)		3(2)	2		
Zak Whitbread	Jul-12	14(1)	1					1		14(1)	1					1			
Chris Wood	Dec-12	15(1)	7			1(1)	2			15(1)	7			1(1)	2				
Own Goals			3																

TONIGHT'S FIXTURES

nPower Championship

Tuesday, 16 April 2013

Barnsley v Derby County	19:45
Blackburn Rovers v Huddersfield Town	19:45
Bristol City v Birmingham City	19:45
Cardiff City v Charlton Athletic	19:45
Ipswich Town v Crystal Palace	19:45
Leeds United v Burnley	19:45
Leicester City v Bolton Wanderers	19:45
Middlesbrough v Nottingham Forest	19:45
Millwall v Watford	19:45
Peterborough United v Brighton & HA	19:45
Wolverhampton Wanderers v Hull City	19:45
Blackpool v Sheffield Wednesday	20:00

npower CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE

Pos	Name	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Cardiff City	42	25	8	9	68	41	27	83
2	Hull City	42	24	5	13	59	47	12	77
3	Watford	42	21	8	13	78	54	24	71
4	Crystal Palace	41	18	12	11	67	54	13	66
5	Brighton & HA	42	16	17	9	59	41	18	65
6	Bolton Wanderers	42	17	12	13	62	54	8	63
7	Nottingham Forest	42	16	15	11	60	55	5	63
8	Leicester City	42	17	10	15	62	40	22	61
9	Charlton Athletic	42	15	12	15	57	55	2	57
10	Middlesbrough	42	17	4	21	57	64	-7	55
11	Leeds United	42	15	10	17	53	62	-9	55
12	Blackpool	42	13	15	14	57	54	3	54
13	Derby County	42	14	12	16	59	58	1	54
14	Burnley	42	14	12	16	57	57	0	54
15	Birmingham City	42	13	15	14	59	65	-6	54
16	Sheffield Wednesday	42	15	8	19	50	59	-9	53
17	Ipswich Town	42	14	11	17	41	57	-16	53
18	Millwall	40	14	10	16	49	55	-6	52
19	Huddersfield Town	42	13	12	17	45	69	-24	51
20	Blackburn Rovers	41	12	14	15	50	55	-5	50
21	Peterborough United	42	14	8	20	62	69	-7	50
22	Barnsley	42	13	10	19	51	67	-16	49
23	Wolves	42	13	9	20	52	63	-11	48
24	Bristol City	42	11	7	24	57	76	-19	40

Statistics correct up to and including April 15 2013



Leicester City

Season 2012/13



KEY:

	Starting player		Unused substitute		Not in matchday squad
	Substituted		Used substitute		Goalscorer

* Denotes an own goal scored in this game

	Date		Opponents	Comp	Pos	F-A	Att	Away	1. Kasper Schmeichel	2. Ritchie De Laet	3. Paul Konchesky	4. Danny Drinkwater	5. Wes Morgan	6. Zak Whitbread	7. Ben Marshall
AUGUST	Tue 14	19:45	A Torquay United	LGCP R1	-	4-0	3,367	1,166				C			
	Sat 18	15:00	H Peterborough United	FLC	3	2-0	23,863	1,868					I		
	Tue 21	19:45	A Charlton Athletic	FLC	9	1-2	16,658	1,628							C
	Sat 25	15:00	A Blackburn Rovers	FLC	17	1-2	13,935	1,741				B			C
	Tue 28	19:45	H Burton Albion	LGCP R2	-	2-4	8,560	662							
SEPTEMBER	Sat 1	17:20	H Blackpool	FLC	10	1-0	18,655	558							I B
	Sun 16	13:15	A Wolverhampton Wanderers	FLC	16	1-2	20,030	1,375			I				
	Wed 19	19:45	H Burnley	FLC	10	2-1	18,480	323							A
	Sun 23	15:00	H Hull City	FLC	15	3-1	20,815	1,482							C
	Sat 29	15:00	A Middlesbrough	FLC	5	2-1	15,679	918		A					C
OCTOBER	Tue 2	19:45	A Huddersfield Town	FLC	2	2-0	13,821	1,563							C
	Sat 6	15:00	H Bristol City	FLC	2	2-0*	22,529	632		A	A			C	B
	Sat 20	15:00	A Birmingham City	FLC	1	1-1	18,271	3,752							I B
	Tue 23	19:45	H Brighton & HA	FLC	1	1-0	25,726	635		A					C
	Sat 27	15:00	H Crystal Palace	FLC	2	1-2	23,646	2,056				B			B
NOVEMBER	Sat 3	15:00	A Watford	FLC	4	1-2	12,954	2,058				A			B
	Tue 6	20:00	A Bolton Wanderers	FLC	5	0-0	16,754	1,227			A				
	Sat 10	12:45	H Nottingham Forest	FLC	5	2-2*	24,793	1,865							B
	Sat 17	15:00	H Ipswich Town	FLC	5	6-0	20,779	990							B
	Sat 24	15:00	A Sheffield Wednesday	FLC	3	2-0	24,664	3,803				I			I B
DECEMBER	Tue 27	19:45	A Leeds United	FLC	4	0-1	17,717	901							B
	Sat 1	17:20	H Derby County	FLC	3	4-1	20,680	883						I	A
	Sat 8	15:00	H Barnsley	FLC	5	2-2	23,579	350							A
	Sat 15	15:00	A Millwall	FLC	5	0-1	10,189	1,149							A
	Sat 22	15:00	H Cardiff City	FLC	5	0-1	25,055	2,127							B
JANUARY	Wed 26	15:00	A Hull City	FLC	5	0-0	20,321	1,753		A					
	Sat 29	15:00	A Burnley	FLC	5	1-0	13,050	1,233							
	Tue 1	15:00	H Huddersfield Town	FLC	5	6-1	25,913	885		I					B
	Sat 5	15:00	H Burton Albion	FAC R3	-	2-0	14,463	1,604		I					A
	Sat 12	15:00	A Bristol City	FLC	3	4-0	13,078	1,786							C
FEBRUARY	Fri 18	19:45	H Middlesbrough	FLC	2	1-0	8,585	400							B
	Sat 26	15:00	A Huddersfield Town	FAC R4	-	1-1	11,945	3,956				C			
	Thu 31	19:45	H Wolverhampton Wanderers	FLC	2	2-1	21,677	772							A
	Sat 9	15:00	A Peterborough United	FLC	2	1-2	11,070	4,691							I B
	Tue 12	19:30	H Huddersfield Town	FAC R4R	-	1-2	14,517	392							
MARCH	Tue 19	19:45	H Charlton Athletic	FLC	5	1-2	19,920	680							B
	Sat 23	15:00	A Blackpool	FLC	5	0-0	14,509	1,670							B
	Tue 26	19:45	H Blackburn Rovers	FLC	5	3-0	19,561	381							
	Sat 2	15:00	A Ipswich Town	FLC	5	0-1	17,021	1,091							B
	Tue 5	19:45	H Leeds United	FLC	5	1-1	22,660	2,600			A				B
APRIL	Sat 9	15:00	H Sheffield Wednesday	FLC	5	0-1	24,883	3,328		C					B
	Tue 12	19:45	A Cardiff City	FLC	5	1-1	23,231	976							
	Sat 16	17:20	A Derby County	FLC	6	1-2	23,123	1,901							B
	Fri 29	19:45	H Millwall	FLC	6	0-1	22,365	400				A			
	Mon 1	15:00	A Barnsley	FLC	7	0-2	10,429	2,106		A					B
MAY	Sat 6	15:00	A Brighton & HA	FLC	7	1-1	28,493	2,015		A					A
	Fri 12	19:45	H Birmingham City	FLC	8	2-2*	25,554	1,460				A			
	Tue 16	19:45	H Bolton Wanderers	FLC											
	Sat 20	15:00	A Crystal Palace	FLC											
	Fri 26	19:45	H Watford	FLC											

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8. Neil Danns	9. Jamie Vardy	10. Andy King	11. Lloyd Dyer	12. Sean St Ledger	13. Conrad Logan	14. Martyn Waghorn	15. Michael Keane	16. Matty James	17. Paul Gallagher	18. Jeff Schlupp	19. Richie Wellens	20. Jermaine Beckford	21. Tom Hopper	22. Liam Moore	23. Jesse Lingard	24. Anthony Knockaert	29. Márkó Futács	35. David Nugent	37. Harry Kane	39. Chris Wood	Referee	
C	1	B	1	A				1	B									A			O. Langford	
		1	A	B				A				C				B		C			C. Pawson	
		1	A					A				B				C		B			F. Graham	
B	1			A								C				A					R. Madley	
			C						A	B						1	C	1	A	B	D. Drysdale	
				C	A					A		C				B					M. Jones	
	C	A	B			C		A								B					S. Atwell	
	1	B		A		B												C	1	C	D. Whitestone	
	B	A	C			B		A											3		E. Ilderton	
	1		B	1	C			B						A							A. Madley	
	B		A			B				A						2	C				P. Gibbs	
	B			C															1		T. Kettle	
	A		B			A										C	C				T. Bates	
	B	1				C								A					B		N. Swarbrick	
		1		A				A		C						C					A. Haines	
				A		B										C	C	1			A. D'Urso	
						C	B			A				B	C						M. Atkinson	
															A	B		1	A		A. Taylor	
	A		1			1	C									1	B	1	C	2	A	K. Stroud
	A					C										C	B	A			P. Tierney	
	A					C										C	B	A			M. Russell	
	B		A			1		C											2	B		G. Eltringham
	1	B		C		B										1	A	C			J. Adcock	
	A		C			A															S. Hooper	
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NEXT UP AT KING POWER STADIUM



Friday 26 April – 7:45pm
Watford
npower Championship

The next game at King Power Stadium is the final Championship game of the league season to be held on Filbert Way, with promotion-chasing Watford the visitors.

New owners, a new manager and a host of new players – a lot happened at Watford before the season had even begun.

Because of those factors, even supporters of the Hornets could be forgiven for being surprised at the fashion with which the Vicarage Road outfit have attacked the npower Championship this term.

For the majority of the campaign, Gianfranco Zola's side have occupied places within the division's Play-Off zone, even making the leap into second spot at intervals of the season – and they have done so by playing a lot of free-flowing, attacking football. Even now, the battle between Watford and Hull City for the second automatic promotion spot rages on.

A key factor in Watford's success this term has been the

form of Matěj Vydra, one of a host of players on loan to the Hertfordshire side from Italian outfit Udinese, also owned by the Pozzo family; owners of Watford.

The Czech striker has been simply sensational this season, netting an impressive number of goals whilst being an ever-present this term. His performances for Watford this season resulted in the 20-year-old striker being named the Championship Player of the Year recently, whilst he has also been ably assisted by Troy Deeney and Almen Abdi who have themselves weighed in with a number of goals this term.

The number of loan players at Watford's disposal this season has been something of a talking point during the campaign; however, there can be no denying the quality of player that Zola, in only his second managerial appointment, has brought in.

Alongside Vydra and Abdi, the likes of Chelsea youngster Nathaniel Chalobah and Fernando Forestieri, who has since signed a permanent deal after joining from Udinese, have been integral to Watford's challenge for a place back in the Premier League, following a six-year absence.

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Manager: Nigel Pearson

1	Kasper Schmeichel	
2	Ritchie De Laet	
3	Paul Konchesky	
4	Danny Drinkwater	
5	Wes Morgan	
6	Zak Whitbread	
7	Ben Marshall	
9	Jamie Vardy	
10	Andy King	
11	Lloyd Dyer	
13	Conrad Logan	
14	Martyn Waghorn	
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29	Márkó Futács	
35	David Nugent	
37	Harry Kane	
39	Chris Wood	

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Bolton Wanderers

Manager: Dougie Freedman

1	Ádám Bogdán	Goalkeeper; last term's Player of the Season
2	Tyrone Mears	Joined from Burnley in 2010 alongside Chris Eagles
3	Marcos Alonso	Spanish wing-back; step-brother of Real Madrid's Xabi Alonso
4	Matt Mills	26-year-old defender; formerly of Leicester City and Reading
5	Tim Ream	USA international centre-back; signed from New York Red Bulls
7	Chris Eagles	Manchester United academy graduate; previously of Burnley
8	Keith Andrews	Republic of Ireland international midfielder; signed in 2012
9	David Ngog	Talented French forward; played in the Premier League with Liverpool
11	Gregg Wylde	Scottish winger; spent spell on loan to Bury this term
12	Zat Knight	Vastly-experienced central defender; joined from Aston Villa in 2009
14	Kevin Davies	Veteran striker; in his ninth season with Bolton Wanderers
15	Craig Dawson	Rochdale-born defender; on loan from West Bromwich Albion
16	Mark Davies	Highly-rated midfielder; spent a spell on loan with City in 2008/09
18	Sam Ricketts	Versatile defender who joined in 2009 from Hull City
19	Marvin Sordell	Pacey striker; part of the 2012 GB Olympic Men's Football team
20	Jay Spearing	Combative central midfielder; on loan from Liverpool
21	Darren Pratley	Midfielder; made over 170 league appearances for Swansea City
23	Joe Riley	Bolton Wanderers academy graduate; made three league appearances
24	Andy Lonergan	Highly-rated goalkeeper; previously of Preston North End
25	Josh Vela	19-year-old midfielder and product of the Trotters' youth system
26	Robert Lainton	Goalkeeper; progressed through various age-groups at Bolton
27	Chung-Yong Lee	South Korean international winger; formerly of FC Seoul
28	Craig Davies	Striker; joined Bolton Wanderers from Barnsley in January
29	Ján Greguš	Towering central midfielder; on loan from Baník Ostrava
31	David Wheeler	Former England Under-21 international; signed from Middlesbrough
38	Sanmi Odelusi	Bolton academy graduate; also spent time with QPR and Reading
43	Danny Butterfield	Played under Bolton manager Freedman at Crystal Palace
44	Medo Kamara	Sierra Leone international midfielder; signed for Bolton in January



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